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THE AMERICAN CREED

I BELIEVE in the United States of America as a government of the people, by the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I THEREFORE BELIEVE it is my duty to my country to love it; to support its Constitution; to obey its laws; to respect its flag; and to defend it against all enemies.

—*Wm. Tyler Page.*

FRANCES MARTIN KUHNS

National President of Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

C. H. WILLIAM RUHE

Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic

ORPHA M. WHITAKER
National Senior Vice President

CATHERINE G. SCHROEDER
National Junior Vice President

MAY BISSEL SLATTERY

National Secretary

ETHELYN P. SMITH

National Treasurer

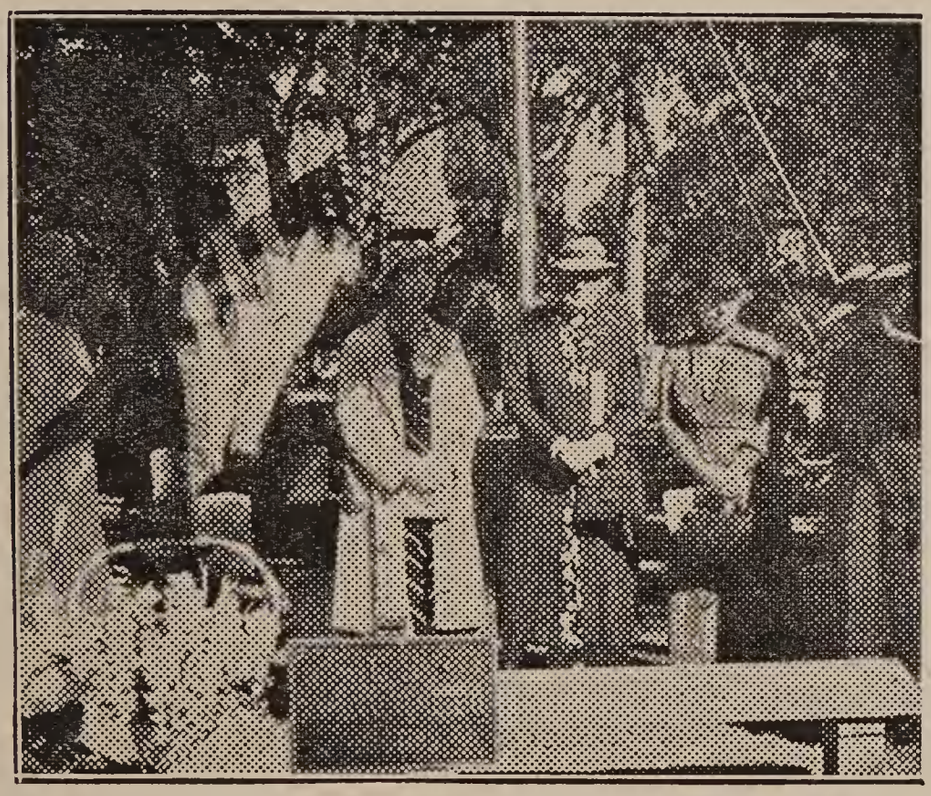
Convention Notes

We are indeed grateful as the Allied Organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic for the selection they made in choosing Madison, the beauty Capitol City of Wisconsin for our Convention City. We have come from all parts of the United States and have enjoyed so much of your hospitality.

You can be proud of your City, your Capitol, Lakes, and Parks, and your fine tradition of good government and education. And as the National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, I assure you the days spent in Madison shall be colorful pages in memory's book.

My organization joins with me in the thanks to the Madison, Wisconsin Foundation and the Central High School, the management of the Park Hotel, where we were so comfortably cared for. Every courtesy was extended by the manager and all those connected in any way with the Hotel.

Our thanks are due Sister Alma Speckner, Department President of Wisconsin and Chairman and Marie Melzner, her assistant of the Convention Committee, and to every member of the Colonel William F. Vilas Circle No. 33, who left nothing undone that we might enjoy our visit to Madison.



NATIONAL MEMORIAL BENCH DEDICATION

It has been the custom of our organization to place a memorial in the city we hold our convention each year.

And on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 P.M. at Forest Hill Cemetery at Union Rest the dedication services were held. Alma Speckner, Department President and Kathryn Melzner, acting as Color Bearers arched the Flags, as the W.P.A. orchestra played "Nearer My God To Thee" followed by a prayer by our National Chaplain, Mamie Geroux.

"Heavenly Father, we beseech Thee to send Thy blessing upon

this gathering here assembled to pay homage to the brave soldiers of our Republic in whose honor we have today dedicated this memorial.

Fill our hearts with that strong patriotism and love for our country which animated those departed heroes of the Grand Army of the Republic, to whom the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, as their blood kin pay reverence today.

Bless us, O Lord, and keep us steadfast in Thy service. We ask it in Christ's name who taught us to pray, 'Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy Will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil, for Thine is the power, and the glory for ever, Amen.' "

Sister Wynnye G. Williamson, the National Counselor, then introduced our National President, Frances Martin Kuhns, who presented the bench and said, "Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, Members of the Ladies of the Grand Army, and Friends: We have come to a very important part in the program of our Convention and we are here today to honor our Fathers with the presentation of a memorial bench to the sacred spot at Union Rest in the Forest Hill Cemetery.

In choosing this bench of blue granite, I did so knowing it would endure just as the principles of the Grand Army of the Republic will endure forever.

We are celebrating today our 51st Convention and are proud of our achievements and heritage. I am presenting this bench in the name of the Grand Army of the Republic in memory of their heroic deeds. The inscription reads, "Presented to the Sacred Memory of the Grand Army of the Republic by the National Body of the Ladies of the Grand Army."

As a patriotic organization we are trying to assist those who served under that great leader, Abraham Lincoln, and we should pause to honor him, our greatest American.

May our efforts to arouse a spark of patriotism in those who pass this way be successful and may those who pause to rest remember the Grand Army of the Republic and the debt that we as a Nation owe them. God bless every one of you, for we have only the kindest feeling for you. I am glad to be here today and to do this in memory of the Grand Army of the Republic."

Mr. Carl Tenny accepted the memorial and spoke of his own grandfather at Camp Randall in '61, of his having set aside this part of the cemetery for the heroic dead and said, "Madam President, I can think of nothing more fitting." The ceremony throughout was beautiful and impressive and as a hush fell over the assembly one felt that each woman and each man present was silently renewing his pledge to love and honor his country as well as honoring the living and dead Union soldier. The services were then closed by a prayer by the National Chaplain.

MEMORIAL SERVICES FOR THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

The Grand Army of the Republic and Allied Organizations paid tribute to their Honored Dead on Sunday night at 8:00 P.M. in the Masonic Temple.

National Chaplain, Mamie Geroux, spoke for our organization while your National President, Frances Martin Kuhns, placed in the harp made of flowers a strand of white blossoms representing a broken string. The United States Marine Band played "Onward Christian Soldiers" and "The Rosary."

Each organization in turn paid tribute to their members who had passed away during the past year. And when finished the harp was a very beautiful emblem, representing our love and devotion to the deceased members of the various organizations.

COMPLIMENTARY BREAKFAST

A breakfast was given Monday morning, September 6th at 7:30 o'clock in the Park Hotel, by the members of the Colonel William Vilas Circle No. 33 of Madison, honoring your National President, Frances Martin Kuhns and her Official Family. Alma Speckner, Department President of Wisconsin, and Chairman of Convention Arrangements, made the address of welcome in behalf of her Circle, and your National President had no words, she said, that would express her thanks and appreciation for what these dear sisters had done for her and her organizations. Sister Speckner presented each officer with a pot-holder, made into a sunbonnet, stating it was her own hand work.

Past National President, Ethel Irish, the organizer of the Department of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic of Wisconsin, made the closing remarks, and spoke of the wonderful success of the Department of Wisconsin and how happy they were to have us as their guests.

SEMI-OFFICIAL MEETING OF NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

Monday, 8:00 P.M., Masonic Temple

The meeting in the auditorium was a very splendid affair and there was not even standing room left when all allied heads of their organizations assembled to exchange their greetings from their organizations.

The United States Marine Band played several selections before and after the meeting.

Our Commander-in-Chief, C. H. William Ruhe, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, responded to the very cordial welcome and made a very wonderful address.

When introduced, your National President, Frances Martin Kuhns, spoke of how happy she was to have had the honor of serving as National President the same year as Commander-in-Chief, William Ruhe, when they were from the same city and state, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The National President then presented to Commander-in-Chief Ruhe an exquisite silk flag and holder with words on the streamers in gold, "Presented by the National Body of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic to Our Commander-in-Chief, C. H. William Ruhe." She also presented a very beautiful silk robe from the delegation from his own state, Pennsylvania.

BETSY ROSS CLUB

The Annual Breakfast of the National Betsy Ross Club was held at the Park Hotel, Madison, Wisconsin, on Tuesday morning, September 7th, at 7:30 A.M. with an attendance of 106.

Sister Margaret H. Worrell, President of the Club, presided and acted as toastmistress. The invocation was given by Sister M. Seitz, in the absence of the National Chaplain, Sister Sadie Michaels. Pledge to the flag was led by National Patriotic Instructor, Sister Nettie Reuter.

Sister Marie Melzner of Madison, Wisconsin, then presented Sister Margaret H. Worrell to the assemblage as the President of the National Betsy Ross Club, who in turn, was greeted by the "song bird" Sister Annabelle Buchan in the delightful singing of "Because".

Sister Margaret Worrell then welcomed all present and introduced the Chairman of Arrangements, Sister Alma Speckner, who had done so many fine things for us. Sister Speckner insisted that half the credit be given to Sister Melzner for her efficient cooperation. Sister Melzner was then officially introduced.

The following officers were then presented:

1st Vice President	Minnie F. Seitz
2nd Vice President	Sadie M. Williams
Secretary	Marie J. Buhler
Treasurer	Sarah J. Ehrmann
Patriotic Instructor	Nettie Reuter

All responded with a few cheery words of greeting.

The Kentucky Sisters rendered several selections in their usual brilliant manner and responded to an encore by asking all present to join them in singing, "My Old Kentucky Home." The President extended her appreciation to them for their beautiful music.

The Past National Presidents of the Club were then called upon and responded with a few well chosen words. They included Sisters Frances M. Haskell, Josephine Mahar, Margaret Franz, and Mae Masecar. Patriotic Instructor, Sister Nettie Reuter, then presented a silk flag to Sister Margaret Worrell from the Club, for which the President extended hearty thanks. At this time our National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sister Frances M. Kuhns, arrived and all rose in greeting her. The National President apoligized for her tardiness, stressing many duties as her excuse. She was greeted by Sister Worrell and also presented with a silk flag from the Club. Sister National President accepted the flag with gratitude and expressed her appreciation in her usual glowing manner.

The Breakfast closed with the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner."

The regular business meeting of the National Betsy Ross Club was held in the Park Hotel on Monday evening, September 6th, and resulted in the election of the following officers for the ensuing year:

President	Minnie F. Seitz
1st Vice President	Sadie M. Williams
2nd Vice President	Lois Benvie
Treasurer	Sarah J. Ehrmann
Patriotic Instructor	Frances Myers
Chaplain	Fannie Small
Press Correspondent	Ella A. Parker
Historian	Gertrude Walbridge
Secretary	Margaret C. Worrell

Sister Margaret H. Worrell entertained her staff of officers at a dinner in a private dining room of the Park Hotel on the evening of Tuesday, September 7th.

LUNCHEON

A luncheon was held at Park Hotel at 12:00 noon in a private dining room where members of the Department of Pennsylvania, 54 in number, met to honor their National President, Frances Martin Kuhns. The tables were very beautifully decorated and a most enjoyable time was had by all. Songs were sung during the luncheon, led by the song leader, Mary F. Barclay, Past Department President of Pennsylvania and the National President, introduced by the Department President of Pennsylvania, Lillie Patterson, Sister Kuhns expressed her thanks to her Department who she stated had done so many lovely things during her administration and of the help she had found her Department to be to the National organization and the joy that came to her in representing the largest Department of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic as National President. She then presented to each member present, with her love and appreciation, a bookmark with the picture of the badge of our order, and the red, white, and blue, and said this luncheon shall always be a precious memory to her.

RECEPTION

Tuesday evening the reception was held in the Governor's Chamber in the Capitol Building, honoring the Commander-in-Chief, C. H. William Ruhe. In the receiving line with the Commander-in-Chief were the National Presidents of the Allied Organizations and the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans. Thousands of persons passed and each in turn were introduced. The United States Marine Band played a delightful concert in the rotunda during the hours of the reception.

PARADE

On Wednesday, September 8th, was the feature of all Conventions—the Parade. An estimated crowd of 35,000 persons crammed the streets of Madison to see the band of members of the Grand Army of the Republic pass in review once more.

One hundred and twenty-two of the old soldiers stepped into line when the parade left Central High School, and Father Time could catch up with only a few, a half a dozen, and force them to leave the march.

Some did more than just step along to the stirring music of the Marine band, leading the parade in their scarlet and white full dress uniforms.

Some of them danced a little along the way, some of them carried their own colors, no easy task.

Behind the marching remnants of the Union Army came about 70 more of the veterans riding in cars, following out the orders of Commander-in-Chief C. H. William Ruhe, who said those who didn't march and wanted to ride would have to ride behind the marchers.

Commander Ruhe and his staff rode in scout cars of the army leading the march around the square, then alighted at the reviewing stand. There they were greeted by Governor La Follette, justices of the state supreme court, Adjutant General Ralph M. Immel, Mayor Law, and officials of the Madison and Wisconsin Foundation.

As they arrived, Governor La Follette said, in speaking to the old soldiers, "You are and forever will remain the symbol of America's unshakeable faith in a government of the people, for the people, and by the people."

Perhaps the greatest tribute for you is that today the united American people can offer the men affectionate devotion, and he added, "A united American nation salutes you."

Then the parade swung along, with the veterans marching in slower cadence than ordinarily, to lead the two and one-half mile march in their honor, a combination of bands, bugle corps, soldiers, guns and veterans organizations that took an hour and a half to pass.

A platoon of Madison police formed the color guard for the G.A.R. Boy Scouts marched along with massed flags.

The first squadron of the 14th cavalry, brought up the rear of the veterans march.

DELEGATES LUNCHEON

The Department of Wisconsin on Wednesday noon entertained the delegates at the Park Hotel. This was a very delightful affair. They had as their honored guest the National President and Members of her Staff. Seated with them were the chairman and assistant chairman on arrangements. Each state had its own particular table. All were beautifully decorated with flags and flowers. State songs were sung. Kentucky, Missouri, and Rhode Island created the most amusement. The National President's Department had the largest delegation and sang to her, "We Are All From Pennsylvania."

We are indeed grateful to this splendid Department of Wisconsin for the very wonderful noon hour spent with them as their guests.

FATHER-MOTHER BANQUET

The Annual Father and Mother Banquet was held Wednesday evening, September 8th at 6:30 P.M. at the Park Hotel. Past National President, Sister Annie M. Michener was chairlady, assisted by Past National President, Emily J. Tompkins, as Treasurer and Marie J. Buhler, National Corresponding Secretary, acting as Secretary, with every one present, to make this banquet the outstanding event at the National Convention.

The Speakers table was decorated with the tri color, every plate had a flag and stand, and the candy boxes carried out the color scheme, two large baskets of flowers graced the table at either end, and between them were holders with seven flags each. The centre piece was of yellow.

The Past National Presidents table was all in yellow, flowers, favors and candy boxes.

Past National President, Annie M. Michener presided as toastmistress, and greeted the 238 guests with a few well chosen words. She then led the assemblage in the salute to the Flag, the Invocation was pronounced by the National Chaplain, Sister Mamie Giroux. A medley of patriotic airs was rendered on the piano during the banquet, by Sister Lillian Avison.

The chairlady asked to have Mr. MacDonald Manager of the Park Hotel, escorted to her station, presenting to him, for the hotel, a beautiful Flag from the National Body. Mr. MacDonald bowed his thanks for this great surprise.

A beautiful tribute to "Our Fathers" was given by Past National President Lillian Clark Cary, and was responded to by the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, C. H. William

ANNIE M. MICHENER

Past National President

National Chairman of Father and Mother. Banquet

Ruhe, the Comrade remarked, that the best thing he had heard in Madison, were the words of the chairlady, when she asked that all speeches be limited to four minutes, he expressed his pleasure at being with us, and seeing so many present on this occasion.

Our Mothers tribute was given by Past National President, Cassie Roche, and our own National President, Frances M. Kuhns was asked to respond, but before she could comply, Sister Marie Harkins, National Soloist, rose quickly and sang appropriate words to the National President, to the air of when you come to the end of a perfect day. Sister Lillian Avison accompanied Sister Harkins on the piano. The National President, Sister Frances M. Kuhns then responded with a splendid address, and was accorded great and well deserved applause. Sister Annie M. Michener then presented her with a silk corsage, with long red, blue, white and yellow streamers.

Sister Frances M. Haskell recited several selections. Sister Canealia Elliott, 91 years of age, also gave several recitations, "Your Land and My Land"—"My Own United States," and the Anthem "America" were beautifully sung by Sister Marie Harkins, with Sister Lillian Avison at the piano.

Community singing was also enjoyed, our honored guests included, National President, Frances M. Kuhns, Commander-in-Chief, C. H. William Ruhe, Past Commander-in-Chief, Judge J. Willett, Col. Russell Martin, Alfred E. Stacy, Mary Love, National President Federated Societies, Alice Risley, Army Nurse, Mayor James R. Law of Madison, and Col. Jackson, Chairman of arrangements, all of whom made brief addresses, Commander-in-Chief elect Dr. O. Mennett, and National President elect, Orpha Whitaker, were also present.

The banquet closed with singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

CAMP FIRE

Wednesday evening at 8:00 P.M. the Camp Fire was held in the Temple Auditorium. A large crowd turned out to do honor to their Commander-in-Chief, C. H. William Ruhe. The United States Marine Band again honored him and Captain Branson, the leader of the band, was most gracious in paying tribute to Commander-in-Chief Ruhe, dedicating almost every number to him or playing one of his favorite selections. The Commander-in-Chief thanked Captain Branson and the Marine Band for all their kindness to him and to the organization, who had the very great privilege of listening to their wonderful music. He stated they had played in his honor when elected in Washington, D. C., one year ago, and now he was delighted to have them come and make his encampment a real success. Commander-in-Chief Ruhe made a very splendid address, as did the Governor LaFollette, of Wisconsin, and Chief Justice Rosenberry.

Seated on the platform with these distinguished men were the National Presidents of the Allied Organizations and the newly-elected Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Dr. O. H. Mennett, of Los Angeles, California.

GET-TOGETHER MEETING

Wednesday evening at 9:30 at the Park Hotel, a get-together meeting was held and enjoyed by all who attended. The program was arranged by the committee, Frances Haskell, Chairman, of Washington and Alaska, Frances Dorsey, of Michigan, and Mary F. Barclay, of Pennsylvania. The Departments who took part were Pennsylvania,

who presented a sketch, "A Wedding;" New York, "Ball Game;" New Jersey, "Silent Church;" Michigan, "Class in History," assisted by the state of Missouri; Washington and Alaska looked very striking wearing hand painted aprons. The committee deserved much praise for making possible an enjoyable evening.

PIONEERS LUNCHEON

Thursday noon at the Park Hotel, members of our order for twenty-five years or longer, held their annual luncheon. It was most interesting to hear the members tell of the number of years they have served our order and of the splendid work they have done. It was with deep regret that Sister Carrie V. Sherriff the President elected in Washington, D. C., at our Golden Jubilee, could not be with us; also the Vice President, Sister Eva J. French, both Past National Presidents of California.

In their absence our first Pioneer President, Sarah J. Ehrmann called the meeting to order. They had as their guest Frances Martin Kuhns, National President, who spoke of how very happy she was to be a member and to extend greetings from the national body.

Sister Anna M. Michener, Past National President of Pennsylvania, has to her credit forty-nine years of splendid service. She spoke as did many of the others, telling interesting events in her G.A.R. life. We sang "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" at the request of one of the members. It was sung with so much vim that we have the assurance that it will continue to be a popular number with our membership.

Sister Camelia Elliot was an honor guest and gave a couple of most interesting readings. The members were presented with little programs with Sister Carrie V. Sheriff's picture and the Pioneer Song. This was the gift of Sister Lydia Williamson of the Department of New York. Sister Sarah Erhmann was elected President for the coming year and appointed as her secretary Past National President Josephine Mahar of Missouri.

PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENTS' BANQUET

Thursday evening at 7:00 P.M. in a private dining room at the Park Hotel, the Past National Presidents held their annual banquet. This is an affair looked forward to from year to year. The table looked beautiful with a large vase of chrysanthemums in the center. Perfumed containers were the gift to each from the President of the Association. Corsages of sweet peas from Sister Ethel Irish, Past National President, and candied California fruits, from Sister Clara Sawyer, Past National President.

Our National President, Frances Martin Kuhns, was our honored guest at this turkey dinner and enjoyed it as much as did the members. She was presented with a beautiful basket containing California fruit from Sister Clara Sawyer. All National Presidents made very pleasing remarks and our National President said how very sorry she was that she could not remain to see Sister Wynnye G. Williamson, her Counselor, taken into full membership, but that being impossible, she was excluded from the room while they initiated Sister Williamson, and told to prepare herself to become a full-fledged Past National President in Des Moines, Iowa in September, 1938.

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Roll Call of National Officers

NATIONAL OFFICERS 1936-1937

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PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENTS

*Laura McNeir Loud, 1885-87.....Died 1934, Calif.
*Laura B. Sawyer, 1888.....Died 1889, Penna.
*Frances N. Wood, 1889.....Died 1913, Kan.
*Catherine E. Hirst, 1890.....Died 1902, Ky.
*M. O. Cartridge, 1891.....Died 1902, Kan.
†Carrie V. Sheriff, 1892.....312 E. Sola St., Santa Barbara, Calif.
*Amanda I. Wethern, 1893.....Died 1933, Calif.
*Nettie E. Gunlock, 1894.....Died 1902, Ill.
*Catherine E. Hirst, 1895-96.....Died 1902, Ky.
*Flora M. Davey, 1897.....Died 1915, Minn.
*Agnes J. Winslow, 1898.....Died 1911, Ill.
*Julia P. Shade, 1899.....Died 1912, Penna.
*Etta Lee Toby, 1900.....Died 1923, Ind.
*Emma S. Wall, 1901.....Died 1927, Kan.
*M. Anna Hall, 1902.....Died 1928, W. Va.
*Belinda S. Bailey, 1903.....Died 1923, Calif.
*Mary T. Hager, 1904.....Died 1923, Ill.
*Ruth E. Foote, 1905.....Died 1925, Colo.
†Elma B. Dalton, 1906.....Winamac, Ind.
Clara N. Sawyer, 1907.....2182 Julian St., San Diego, Calif.
*Genevieve Hager Lucy, 1908.....Died 1929, Ill.
*Della R. Henry, 1909.....Died 1928, Kan.
*Emma E. Pierce, 1910.....Died 1913, Mass.
*Catherine Ross, 1911.....Died 1933, Ill.
*Ella S. Jones, 1912.....Died 1928, Penna.
*Edith B. Brown, 1913.....Died 1926, Calif.
*Mary A. Jameson, 1914.....Died 1924, Mich.
Catherine DeLacy Roche, 1915.....860 Capause Ave., Scranton, Penna.
*Virginia C. McClure, 1916.....Died 1926, Ill.
*Mary E. Tarbox, 1917.....Died 1928, Maine
*Rose Houghton, 1918.....Died 1928, Washington and Alaska
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Sarah J. Ehrmann, 1933.....202 Milnor Ave., Lackawanna, N. Y.
Pearl C. Cooke, 1934.....7636 Hortense Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Wynnye G. Williamson, 1935.....Parkersburg, W. Va.

PAST NATIONAL SECRETARIES

*Frances M. Strickland, 1885-87.....N. J.
*Henrietta Gerwig, 1888-89.....Penna.
*Lucy Milliken, 1889.....Kansas
*Mary Elkington, 1890.....Kentucky

†Ella Wade Shore, 1891.....328 Wabash Ave., Topeka, Kansas
†Josie Slicker, 1892-1912.....1416 W. 48th St., Los Angeles, Calif.
*Flora M. Davy, 1893.....Minnesota
*Julia A. Ellis, 1894.....Illinois
†Nannie Ross, 1895-96.....Columbus, Ohio
†Annie L. Lincoln, 1897.....2215 W. 3rd St., Duluth, Minn.
†Jessie W. Hegg, 1898.....6011 Kenmore Ave., Chicago, Ill.
†Olive I. Williams, 1900.....20 Loan Apts., Anderson, Ind.
†Anna D. Learned, 1901.....Lawrence, Kans.
†Ruth Hall Tucker, 1902.....1240 Market St., Wheeling, W. Va.
*Abbie E. Krebs Wilkins, 1903-04.....Calif.
*Genevieve H. Lucy, 1904-1914-1920.....Chicago, Ill.
*Catherine Ross, 1905.....Ill.
*Julia M. Gordon, 1906.....Kansas
†Florence M. Wallace, 1907.....31 Elm St., Waterville, Maine
†Mary Hager Byrnes, 1908.....Riverview Park, Des Moines, Iowa
*Nellie R. McMillan, 1909.....Kansas
*Martha F. Gilmore, 1910.....Mass.
*Marybell Ross, 1911-1923.....Chicago, Ill.
†Eva J. French, 1913.....573 Larkin St., Monterey, Calif.
*Anna DeLacy Peel, 1915.....Pennsylvania
*Helen M. Wilson, 1916.....Illinois
†Mertie Aldrich Perkins, 1917.....5029 Halldale Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.
‡Lela Thatcher, 1918.....Washington
*Grace Seebers, 1919.....Iowa
Maybelle S. Nissen, 1921.....23 Sunshine Rd., Upper Darby, Pa.
*Edith B. Brown, 1922.....California
†Myrta M. Talmadge, 1924.....720 Garfield Ave., Kansas City, Kans.
†Elma B. Dalton, 1925.....407 S. Front St., Winamac, Ind.
Sarah J. Ehrmann, 1926.....202 Milnor Ave., Lackawanna, N. Y.
*Ida Mae Siebert, 1927.....Chicago, Ill.
*Laura Thompson, 1928.....Wash.
Nannie R. Sharitt, 1929.....27 W. McPherson St., Dayton, Ohio
*Anna Bennett, 1930.....Kansas
Emily J. Tompkins, 1931.....570 W. 156th St., New York City
Edwina P. Trigg, 1932.....3122 Chestnut Ave., Kansas City, Mo.
Gladys Wethy Newton, 1933-35
1033 Columbia Blvd., Charleston, W. Va.
Wilma M. Raman, 1934.....1233 W. Edwards St., Springfield, Ill.

PAST NATIONAL TREASURERS

*Laura B. Sawyer, 1886-87.....Kansas
†Jennie Sample, 1893.....Pittsburgh, Pa.
*Florence George, 1895-96.....Washington, D. C.
*Etta Lee Tobey, 1897-98, 1923.....Indiana
*Anna Sage, 1899-1900.....Dayton, Ohio
Anna M. Michener, 1901-1902.....1 Leighton Ave., Yonkers, N. Y.
*Ella S. Jones, 1905-06.....Penna.
*Catherine Ross, 1907-08.....Ill.
Catherine DeL. Roche, 1909-11.....860 Capouse Ave., Scranton, Pa.
*Nellie R. McMillan, 1912-15.....Kansas
†Olive I. Williams, 1915-17.....20 Loan Apts., Anderson, Ind.
†Jennie E. Troxell, 1918-19
2713 Greenleaf St., College Heights, Allentown, Pa.
*Marybell Ross, 1920-23.....Illinois
*Grace Seebers, 1923-24-25.....Iowa
†Nodie Efferding, unexpired term 1925
74 So. Grandview, Dubuque, Iowa
*Cora Dunning, 1926.....Missouri
Helen M. Lehman, 1927-28-29-30...515 Newark Ave., Jersey City, N. J.
Wynnye G. Williamson, 1930-33.....520 Green St., Parkersburg, W. Va.
Maybelle S. Nissen, 1933-36.....23 Sunshine Rd., Upper Darby, Pa.

Departments

NEW JERSEY

(Organized December 15th, 1881)

†Absent

Department President - - - - - - - Henrietta M. Cline
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Lydia Sandford

Delegates
†Emma L. Hays
†Letitia Wightman
†Julia Tartter
†Hazel Schoenect
†Edna Fitzhenry
†May Jelly
†Anna Penny
Abbie Orr
Oscyella Reilly

Alternates
Emma Hawkyard
†Alyce Hilderbrant
†M. Richards
†L. Brown
†A. Dietz
†Myrtle Greenham

Past Presidents
†Sarah Graham
Orpha M. Whitaker
†Margaret Corb
†Elizabeth Morgan
†Olive Bull
†Susanna Davis
Arada B. Doughty
†Elizabeth Knapp
Helen M. Lehman
†Martha M. Curry
†Mary Nixon
†Ella G. Willse
†Emma Leather
†Anna Dempsey
Mary A. Cline
†Violet Fagan
†Ottilie Hemrick
†Sarah J. Hopkins
†Etta M. Lykes

PENNSYLVANIA

(Organized August 27th, 1884)

†Absent. *Deceased.

Department President - - - - - - - - Lillie Patterson
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - †Marian E. Nicholas

Delegates
Marie L. Harkins
†Rose Carlin
†Grace Henninger
Ila Mae Armstrong
†Rebecca Jones
Alice Standford
†Clara Barnes
Martha Chappel
Sadie Behm
†Grace Pike
†Louise Kephart
†Mollie Knight
†Helen Mangold
†Nan Vernon
†Mary Bain
Mary Behm
†Allena Stuhlfire
†Stella Phillips
Emma Baughman
Loretta Newmeyer
†Jennie Wittsche
Anna Welch
Frances Woodyard
Katherine Hilty
†Mary Chalmers
Mary McLaughlin
†Rose Baldwin
Ella Stewart
†Margaret Williams
†Anna Sutton
†Laura Smith
Elizabeth Baldridge
†Frances Gover
Jennie Carothers
†Margaret Stepheson
†Alice Hickey
†Stella Powers
Lillie Avison
Caroline Reutzel
†Lillian Terrell
†Mary White
†Katherine Smith
†Mabel Roth
Harriet Ellsworth
†Faith Luther
†Anna M. Kresge
Annie Moore
†Carrie Paisley
†Laura Driscoll
†Edna Miller
Anna Hulick

Alternates
†Sarah Jetters
†Nancy Jane Burt
†Anna Smith
†Nellie Crouse
†Lettie Taylor
†Henrietta Heing
†Emma Lloyd
†Lulu Ott
†Lena Kountz
†Grace Stephens
†Emma Snyder
†May Compton
†Elizabeth Miller
†Alice Lee Harvy
†Anna Euling
†Ethel Herr
†Ella Meyers
†Catherine Lockhard

PENNSYLVANIA (Continued)

Alternates
†Sara Six
†Mane Orth
†Ella Lose
†Bertha Buch
†Edith Leby
†Margaret Crosly
†Henrietta Kling
Anna Lindermuth
Margaret Scott
†Bessie Stebeik
Anna Houseman
†Margaret Luther
†Anna Winters
†Emma Riddell
Laura Barron
Alice Yamon
Marian Nicholas
Jennie Boomer
Frances Cullen
Anna Crosby
Blanche Ream
Lillie Hutchinson
Christena Overburg
Cora Richey
Jennie Seiders
Mary Kight
Nellie Folk
Vernealis Grover
Sara Foreman
Wilma Martin
Leedie McGee
Adah Hanan

Past Presidents
*Henrietta Gerwig
*Julia Johnson
*Martha Weisling
†Carrie V. Sherriff
*Rachel Doran
*Margaret Reed
*Sallie Linhart
*Julia P. Shade
†Mary E. Ely
*Ada L. Shannon
*Lydia J. Smith
†Josie Slicker
Annie M. Michener
*Ella S. Jones
Catherine DeL. Roch
*Elmira Scritchfield
*Kate Blair
*Frances I. Holgate
†Jennie Troxell
*Emma R. Schalk
*Ella Lauderback
†Jennie Hays
*Mary H. Howard
*Mary Scott
†Sadie Abbott
*Lydia Brown
*Mary M. Spellissy
†Emma M. Sharkey
†Bert F. Schreiner
†Sara C. Johnson
*Anna L. Marron
Maybelle S. Nissen
May B. Slattery
†Jennie Walls
†Catherine Williamson
†Anna E. Klein
Margaret B. Franz
Frances M. Kuhns
†Martha S. Sewell
†Mary G. Caldwell
*Josephine Mateer
*Jennie Hueston
Margaret M. Lindsay
†Lenore M. Helm
†Ada Gorsuch
Mary F. Barclay
†Alice James
†Mae G. Porter
Anna Good

CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

(Organized 1885)

Department President - - - - - - - Mary E. Weatherbee

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - †Nellie E. Borman

Delegates
†Nettie Reese
†Monterey Stewart
†Clara Brown
†Etta Johnson
†Ella Ball Worthy
†Gilberta Taylor
†Gertrude Anderson
†Louise Basil
†Anna Stillwell
†Jennie Everson
†Sue Page
†C. Rex
†Laura Abbott
Myrtle Rogers

Alternates
†Mabel Taylor
†Pearl Pendry
†Carrie Schnack
†Alice Towler
†Stella Hewtett
†Lettie McCarthy
†Ina J. Ishmall
†Bertie Simpson
†Mary Miller
†Della Snyder Madill
†Florence Auble
†Nettie Sherred
†Ida Andrews

Past Presidents
†Venice Cushing
†Eva J. French
†Alice E. Croghan
†Annette G. Yoho
†Sarah B. Moore
†Jessie D. Manus
†Allison Thompson
†Anna H. Jarvis
Mary E. Copping
†Addie L. Flemming
†Anna M. Allen
†Mertie A. Perkins
†Magge Hefferlin
†Clara Heath
†Florence A. Hibbard
†France Gayetti
†Addie L. Coffin
†Gertrude L. Harris
Minnie F. Seitz
†Myrtle D. Kring
†Martha J. Paugh
Catherine G. Schroeder
†Nancy J. Baldson
Clara N. Sawyer

ILLINOIS

(Organized December, 1885)

Department President - - - - - Ethel Richardson, M.D.
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - - †Josie E. Fry

Delegates

†Irella Cincotto
†Esther Rollins
Georgianna Hill
†Mary Pierson
Lydia McGray
Ladye Bongeiz
†Margaret Westenberger
Clena Kaufman
†Mary Osborne
Elizabeth Phillips
†Zetta Schultz
Adelia Brenkmyer
Elizabeth Coons
Mary O'Shea
Mae Gable
Madeline Novak

Alternates

Dora McLaughlin
†Emma Shaffer
†Minnie Follett
†Mary Smith

Past Presidents

†Dr. Belle Reynolds
Martha J. Van Duzor
†Ethel M. Durfee
Ida E. Wright
†Alice Kaufman
†Bertha J. Gasser
†Ruby G. Taylor
Millicent Eifert
†Marie B. Heitler
Mamie Giroux
Nattie J. Reuter
†Clara L. Rinehart
†Emma K. Daiger
†Myrtle Hinchliffe
Pearl C. Cooke
Wilma M. Ramon
†Lura Frye
†Mary Ralergle
Fredricka Molter

KANSAS

(Organized April 15th, 1887)

Department President - - - - - - - - - Lucy Haines
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - - †Maud James

Delegates

Mamie Rule
Gladys Haines
†Lenora Boon
†Sarah Hercock
†Grace Perky
†Ella Pheinic
Luella Dodge
Elizabeth Bushnell
Lilly M. Strong
†Dora Huntsberger
Eva Smith

Alternates

†Stella Burch
†Ida Fisher
†Carrie Frodsham
†Dora Cook
†Susan Lee
†Frances Slauson
†Rose Edwards
†Hattie Jones
†Lillian Johnson
†Katherine Davis

Past Presidents

†Margaret Grandle
Eunice Rash
†Lorah Baird
†Jessie Woodward
†Fannie J. Kelsey
Frances Rohrback
†Margaret Clark
†Cora Lee Drum
†Alice Barnthouse
Christine Miller
†Myrtle Talmadge
†Anna House
†Jennie Larkin
†Charlotte Smith
†Mary C. Snyder
†Cora Grantham
†Cora B. Jinkins
†Ida E. Dickerson

IOWA

(Organized March 11th, 1890)

Department President - - - - - - - - - Mabel Lynch
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Florence Pond

Delegates

Dollie Claridge
Nellie Askren
Harriet Hardy
Margaret Clement
Laura Micheal
Katherine Martin
Nell Dice

Past Presidents

†Anna Weaver Becker
Ida Hare Warfield
Lillian Clark Cary
†Winefred Soper
†Carrie Riley Eaton
†Laura S. McCrae
†Lanah Lawler
†Jennie Beymer
†Myrta Nichles
†Bella Carson
†Bertha Hunt
Fannie B. Small
Zella G. Chaloupka

OHIO

(Organized June 11th, 1890)

Department President - - - - - - - - - Carrie North

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - - †Clara Tice

Delegates
†Florence Deighton
†Jennie Marshall
Margaret Sheets
Faye Gillard
Frances Myers
†Margaret Forman
†Elizabeth Bangs
†Eva Fisher
†Sara Winefordner
Harriet Mercurio
†Grace Myers
Anna Burgess
Ella Dowe
Eva Lehr
Anna Wilson
Clara Tice

Alternates
†Anna Cramer
†Abbie Beckwith
†Folson Stemshorn
†Lizzie Albaugh
Anna McCullough

Past Presidents
†Cora Rowling
†Hulda Phiels
†Cora Cousaul
†Maud Logan
Ella Berkemeier
†Erma Brand
†Clara Holmes
†Margaret Crawford
Nannie Sharritt
†Ellen Wells
Cora Riser
†Madge Ralston
†Lydia Palmer
†Bertha Weisel
†Carrie Jackson
†Della Scheile
†Rhea Van Norwick
Sadie Mae Williams
Nora Koehler
Clara Smith
Alberta Carothers

OKLAHOMA

(Organized April 17th, 1891)

Department President - - - - - - - - Lillian Wilson

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Carrie Glaiser

Delegates
†Grace Storie
†Bertha Hodgkinson
†Naola Brown
Myrtle Conway
Hannah Lowry

Alternates
†Hazel McKee
†Anna Weaver
†Minnie Craver

Past Presidents
†Effie Wise
Elizabeth Sterns
†Mary Bowers
†Mildred Christie
†Mabel Provost
†Anna Cleveland
†Anna McGee
†Alice Allen
Alice Pitkin
†Florence Day
†Zella Harvey
†Bertha Cary
†Grace Mount

KENTUCKY

(Organized 1891)

Department President - - - - - - - - Ella A. Parker

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Lula Dickerson

Delegates
Ritter Johnson
Sallie E. Gray
Essie Dortch Mack

Alternates
†Ophelia Clemmons
†Fannie R. Givens

Past Presidents
†Mary E. Sherrill
†Vienna Parker
†Mary E. Hampton
†Amanda Sayles
†Lucy Dickerson
†Arena Brown
Jennie Davis
Florence Gaddie

NEBRASKA

(Organized May 17th, 1892)

Department President - - - - - - - - Anna Holloway
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - - †Myra Brush

Delegates
Jessica Ward
†Bertha Rasneussen
†Nan Miller
†Gertrude Johnson
†Addie Workman
Emily DuBois
†May Bowen
†Clara Belle Smith
Ruth Amis
†Lucy Gillen
Lida Weinberger

Alternates
†Georgia Nuinhead
†Lydia Vasholz
Inez Raber
†Ida Steffen
†Della Burton
†Carolyn Travis
†Jennie Dobbs
†Eliza Weaver
†Myrtle Deacon

Past Presidents
Ethelyn P. Smith
Camella Elliott
†Lora Russell
†Blanche Smith
†Addie Fowler
†Ora D. Jones
†Grace Burger
†Effie Hahn
†Martha C. Barron
†Nora A. Kidder
†Edna Koops
†Minnie K. Hansen
†Carrie Peters
Flora Powell
†Alta Slonecker
†Ethel Martin
†Lunetta Konkright
†Charlotte B. Clark
†Bessie Rigdon
†Viona Pixley
Mabel Way

MASSACHUSETTS

(Organized September 2nd, 1892)

Department President - - - - - - - - Adaline A. Balch
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †A. Ruth Taylor

Delegates
†Grace Bucklin
†Elizabeth Nickerson
†Mae Webb
†Doris Rugg
†Ressa Knight
†Laura Bagley
†Eva Johnson

Alternates
†Florence Gray
†Bertha Johnson
†Daisy Cole
†Gertrude Strout
†Minnie Simpson
†Nettie Wade

Past Presidents
†Jennie Teele
†Sarah Murphy
†Emma Thurlow
†Marian Bradbury
†Elvira Veasey
Frances Linnell
†Angie Schurman
†Stella I. Frost
†Hannah Whiteside
†Alice M. Pearson
†Mildred Barmby
†Eva F. Phillips
†Elsie O. Webb
†Maude Boyce
†Mary Burt
†Annie T. Santos
†Cora Baker
†Edith E. Ogilvie
††Bessie E. Griffin
†May S. White
†Lillian M. Elliot
†Ethel C. Ross

MINNESOTA

(Organized February 23rd, 1893)

Department President - - - - - - - - Mabel Schilken
Senior Vice President

Delegates
Gladys Ralph
†Carrie Johnston
†Sophia Von Krusen
†Christine Ivers
Charlotte Brown
†Mary Nicherson
†Anna Starbird
†Margaret Richards
†Patricia Fish
†Della Johnson
†Mary Sorenson
Rose Lu Derns
Ella Learitt
Ruth Wingerning

Alternates
†Sadie Hamlet
†Mary Jenkins
†Myrtle McCloud
†Mary Warren
†Emma Strong
†Margaret Braun
†Edna Moeller

MINNESOTA (Continued)

Alternates
†Ethelyn Plowman
†Lillian Eckland

Past Presidents
†Julia Lobdell
†Marilla Stone
†Alvira Edward
†Mary L. Banker
†May Dennis
†Jennie L. Raper
†Lavinnie Holmberg
†Carrie Smith Whitis
†Caroline Helbing
†Clara Ellsworth
†Kitty B. Coyne
†Stella Vasey
†Jessye Spence
†Marietta Price
†Mary R. Cooley
†Clarice Parker
†Maude Bamford
†Rose Bergseng
†Martha J. Johnston
†Minnie Woodmansie
†Verna Larson
†Irene Patterson
Ruby R. Dean
Maude L. Simons

NEW YORK

(Organized March 7th, 1893)

Department President - - - - - - - - - Eva Goodwin
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Olivene Smith

Delegates
Emma Ripley
Ada Collamer
†Mary A. Schmeltz
Emilie McCormack
†Marjorie W. Schafer
Lydia Williams
†Mary Sorrell
†Eva Archer
Olivene Smith
†Alice Cunningham
Anna Place Cahran
†Josie M. Chellys
†Helen J. Stoddard
Fanny Smith
Minnie Seager
Julia Fransen

Alternates
†Clara Hinman
Emma Graham
Iva Dingle
†Myra Montross
†Hattie Newman
†Maude Carner
†Carrie Connelly
†Alice Frasur
†Alice Millett
†Lida Waldom
†Matilda Reynolds

Past Presidents
†Jennie Graves
†Lillian Halsey
Sarah J. Ehrmann
†Christina Brand
†Mary I. Campbell
†Rose A. Renehan
†Anna L. French
†Sarah J. Sterling
†Nettie B. Rugg
Emily J. Tompkins
†Helen F. Stoddard
†Grace H. Boles
Gertrude Walbridge
Gladys Welty Newton
Marie J. Buhler
†Lillie M. Tompkins
†Minnie M. Williams
†Mabel Rinehart
Harriet W. Eaton
†Rozelle E. Butters
Ida D. Ball

INDIANA

(Organized April 5th, 1894)

Department President - - - - - - - - Josephine Glass
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - - †Bessie Hart

Delegates
†Lela Totton
Jennie King
Pearl Keaton
†Minnie Ellis
Sadie Wherly
Daisy Schultz
Margaret Copeland
†Cora Trueblood

Alternates
†Josephine Wishmier
†Nellie Heale
Elizabeth Davis
†Elizabeth Myers
Rose Phillips
Ida McBride
†Ida Platt
†Cecelia Galland
†Flora McMahon

Past Presidents
†Olive I. Williams
†Cora Leach
†Pearl Wright
Lida E. Manson
Mae Lonberger
†Harriet Pope
†Anna U. Daily
†Florence E. Newlin
†Dora H. Lyon
†Mattie Miller
†Julia M. McCorkle
†Mellie Bell Kitchel
†Emma Schneider
†Adelia Maxwell
†Minnie Penwell
Nellie K. Stammel
†Eva Seybold
†Edith Sheridan
†Gertrude Fox
†Ellen Gray
†Anna Davis
Nora Etnire
Frances Meyers
†Ida Rushton

COLORADO-WYOMING

(Organized June 12th, 1894)

Department President - - - - - - - - Nellie B. Snell
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - †Margaret Anderson

Delegates
Agnes Lorah
Effie Gipson
†Mary Measures
†Lillian Norton

Alternates
†Nova Cromwell
†Anna McLean
†Sarah Willman
†Lulu Wilson

Past Presidents
†Harriet Shellenberger
†Cora Smith
†Capitola Fagle
†Lulah Hatch
†Irene Michael
†Gertrude Crosier
†Lora Ginders
†Orrell Hartman
†Eva Kerns
†Alta M. Cort
†Nora Drake
†Edith Woodside
†Pearl Gough
†Elois Meade
†Louise Higgs
†Margaret Morrison
†Mabel Y. Coffey
†Blanche McKelvey
†Dora Peery

MICHIGAN

(Organized June 27th, 1894)

Department President - - - - - - - Genevieve L. Viets
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Verta Kilburg

Delegates
Frances A. Dorsey
†Caroline Ramsey
Virginia Dorsey
†Etta Aman
Maude Hall
Violet Visger
Addie Jackson

Alternates
†Anna Stevens
†Cora Pierce
†Louella Penniman

Past President
†M. Celia Barbour
†Catherine S. Waite
†Fannie M. Wollett
†Ida Storrs
†Edna Gray
Nellie Cuddy Wall
†Ella C. Jones
†Cora Parkhurst
Anna M. Hilliard
†Mae Laurencella
†Julia Rutter
†Anna Morris
Ethel Cothrell
†Elsie Dietz
†Mabel E. Girardot
Lillie C. Wall

WISCONSIN

(Organized August 22nd, 1894)

Department President - - - - - - - Alma C. J. Speckner
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - †Laverne Marguissee

Delegates
Agnes Black
Marion Doughty
Margaret Geisler
†Cora Poole
†Martha Beavers
Cora Drake
†Sophia Evans

Alternates
†Mary Harper
†Gertrude Youkow
Laura Hamilton
†Mary Schanks
Frances Olsen
Hazel Harvey

Past Presidents
†Dora Snyder
Lillian Clark Schlenter
†Alice Mason
Ethel M. Irish
†Mary Stewart
†Frances Coffeen
†Adeline Klatt
Alma Morehouse
Evelyn Rynders
†Ella Hilton
Betty Hoppe
Emma H. Gruber

WASHINGTON-ALASKA

(Organized May, 1896)

Department President - - - - - - - - - Dove Krapp
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Lila Swarthout

Delegates
Frances Beamer
†Catherine Cox
Dr. Kathryn Harrison
Augusta Woodward
†Margaret Ward

Alternates
†Bertha Benton
†Frances Fellows
†Kate Welch
†Jennie Meade

Past Presidents
†Rachel Brooks
†Eunice Murry
†Lula Shannon
†Ottilie Bartell
Frances M. Haskell
†Zelda L. Connell
†Loverna North
†Jennie Hoss
†Maude Gardner
†Nellie Blackburn
†Matilda Dinmore
Cassea H. Orsborn
†Mae Eastlick
†May Vance
May Masecar
†Bess Morrisey
†Lulu Edwards
†Isabel Florence
†Annie Steel
†Maude McCoy
†Marian K. Hein
†Ruth Purdue
†Gussie L. Morin

WEST VIRGINIA

(Organized August 29th, 1896)

Department President - - - - - - - Zella Wurtzbacker
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - - †Rosa Parker

Delegates
†Anna V. Rector
†Lucy Price
†Mary Chapman
†Ocie Ice
Lorrie Wilson
Eldora Tichnor
Sarah Martin
Lessie Martin

Alternates
†Bessie Campbell
†Josephene Stuttler
†Maude Martin
†Pauline Luthinger
†June Campbell

Past Presidents
†Sallie Rector
†Virginia Donnelly
Wynnye G. Williamson
†Amanda Riggs
†Anna Flemming
†Mary Wallace
†Clara Langdon
†Ida F. Koontz
†Myrtle Dunsmoor
†Mary S. White
†Cora Morrow
†Callie Long
†Birdie Thompson
†Carrie Zime
†Virginia Jackson
†Sarah Kline
†Hattie Martin
†Maud Jacobs
†Ola Dickel
†Mary McCombs
†Margaret Hendrickson
†Florence Whitmore
†Mary Stephan
†Verna Scears

MISSOURI

(Organized May 19th, 1898)

Department President - - - - - - - Amanda D. Hargis
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Laura McFarlin

Delegates
Augusta McReynolds
†Ruth Hibler
Mary Braden
†Cora Davis
†Charlotte Muller
†Ida Gabelman
Edith Bell
†Della Ritter
Drusella Gregory
Sadie Vogelsong
Laura McFarlan
Caroline Culler

Alternates
†Lela Snyder
†Ethel Butterworth
Mattie Daniels
†Bertha Scheetz
†Inez Hawkins
†Hulda Constanz
†Dortha Suppan

Past Presidents
Josephine Mahar
†Augusta Perkins
†Mollie Neubauer
†Josephine Wood
†Bertha Schumaker
Edwina Trigg
Effie Thrasher
†Sara E. Hughes
†Lorena Fleming
†Jessie Sherman
†Jessie P. Kent
†Emma Hyatt
†Marguerite Riggs
†Jeannette Dunford
†Adele J. Newman
†Ida V. McDonald
†Jessie Bates
†Emma Jones

OREGON

(Organized June 20th, 1899)

Department President - - - - - - - Gertrude Dowling
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - - †Ethel Piper

Delegates
†Pearl Fine
†Amy McGann

Alternates
†Nellie Cooper
†Marie Hayes

Past Presidents
†Isabella Beeson
†Anna Korndrodt
†Eva Carnegie
†Loretta W. Page
†Sarah E. Oliver
†Gracia M. S. Cook
†Diva E. Rounds
Rose B. Stewart
†Leota M. Brown
†Myrtle Eggiman
†Rose A. Garrison
†Mabel Ragsdale
†Susannah Hammond
†Freeda Peterson
†Marietta Jones
†Bessie E. Roe

CONNECTICUT

(Organized June 20th, 1899)

Department President - - - - - - - †Eva L. Anderson
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - †Hattie I. Beckwith

Delegates
Sarah Blakeman
†Lucy Breen

Alternates
†Nellie Loveridge

†Edith Farnham

Past Presidents
†Bertha Goodspead
†Lucy Breen
†Nettie Young
†Frances Curtiss
†Sadie Pfiefer
†Mary Lannon
†Evelyn Stillwagen

MAINE

(Organized February 18th, 1905)

Department President - - - - - - - - Eva M. Ervin
Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Lucille Bowlby

Delegates
†Julia Goddard
†Emma Rolfe
†Doris Bowden
†Susie Lamb
†Natalie Mulholland

Alternates
†Florence Dailey
†Hattie Donna
†Hazel Longley

†Priscilla Smith

Past Presidents
†Georgie Wilson
†Florence Wallace
†Ruth Robinson
†Lizzie Millet
†Ida Moore
†Rose Minott
†Emma Gannett
†Annie Emery
†Annie Bowden
†Maude Carr
†Lillian Hefferman
†Annie Silke
†Blanche Curtis
†Ida Woodwin
†Lillian Lincoln
†Fannie Pillbury
†Lulie Nichols
†Ola C. Ames

RHODE ISLAND

(Organized August 18th, 1905)

Department President - - - - - - - - - Lois Bennie

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - †Laura Chamberlain

Delegates
†Charlotte Hunt
†Grace Smith
†Ruth Moon

Alternates
†Hattie Brown
†Grace Jones

Past Presidents
†Helen Smith
†Emma Gamble
†Lillie Wilke
†Grace Strange
†Susie Randell
†Maude Messinger
†Jennie Benz
†L. Louise Washburn
†Emily Lewis
†Idella Holdredge
†Carrie Barker
†Mae Sutton
Theo. Redfern
†Mae Velleneyve
†Ella Doe
†Edna Heath
†Bertha Moon
†Hazel Mackenzie

VERMONT

(Organized 1907)

Department President - - - - - - - - - †Addie Stone

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Lydia Goodrich

Delegates
†Anna Redmond
†Elizabeth Wright

Alternates
†Mary Stevens
†Myrtie Parker
†Adeline Clough
†Mae Christmas
†Mary Curtis
†Mildred O'Niel
†Mary Graystone
†Almelia Matott
†Bessie Cardi
†Anna Henry
†Julia Witherell

Past Presidents
†Kathryn E. Heath
†Rose Smith
†Cora Woodworth
†Mary Gibbons
†Freida Fletcher
†Vera M. Lewis

MONTANA

(Organized 1909)

Department President - - - - - - - - - Ada Johnson

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Cora D. Jinkins

Delegates
Blanche Martin
†Bessie Dennis
†Lulu Simonson
†Gladys Berryman

Alternates
†Mabel Collins
†Frances Wichersheim
†Alice Moen

Past Presidents
†Daisy D. Reiger
†Hattie Robertson
†Madge Hefferlin
†Gratia McKenna
†Julia Poirer
†Effie McRae
†Thirza Blair
†Belle W. Beebe
†Elizabeth Opitz
†Clara L. Barrett
†Cordella Boatman
†Bessie L. Allen
†Emma Redd
†Gertrude Black
†Nancy McClain
†Gertrude McVey
Belle Pears
†Ada Wickersheim
†Grace Liddell

ALMA C. J. SPECKNER

National Chairman of Arrangements

MARIE MELZNER

Assistant National Chairman of Arrangements

IDAHO

(Organized 1909)

Department President - - - - - - - - - Elsie Bybee

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Clara Wirth

Delegates
†Vivia Lawson
†Harriet Smythe
†Alice Hayes

Alternates
†Nora Faloon
†Margaret Evans

†Mary Trunkey

Past Presidents
Nana Shields
†Ida Walsh-Reed
†Salome Moberly
†Laura Whitney
†Hazel Leighton

†Lulu F. Bissell
†Ida Ballantyne
Clara E. Burdell
†Estalia Fuller
†Bertha Clyde
†Carrie Gailey
†Ollie Morris-Smith

FLORIDA

(Organized 1910)

Department President - - - - - - - - Marian Crocker

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †May Salmon

Delegates
†Muriel Friedel
†Laura W. Smith

Alternates
†Ida Hanson
†Maria Salmon

Past Presidents
†Susan James
†Elizabeth Ebersole
†Mattie Porter
†Bertha Potter
†May H. Woolley
†Edna W. Cockle
†Ida M. B. Goodwin
†May Waltz Sylrester

†Gertrude Throckmorton
†Mary A. Weston
†Daisy L. Kruse
†Rozella Butters
†Clara Reynolds
†Julia C. Miller
†Emma Bailey
†Margaret Barclay
†May D. Caswell

UTAH

(Organized 1919)

Department President - - - - - - - - †Irene Patella

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Sytha Howard

Delegates
Isola Linsley
†Evelyn Ellison
†Elizabeth Armstrong

Alternates
†Nellie Holmes
†Mary Botton
†Lottie Norris

Past Presidents
†Elenor B. Burns
†Mary H. Schnell
†Lucy E. Norton
†Hattie Anderson
†Anna T. Holland
†Ora L. Benge
†Margaret Fisher
†Gertrude A. James

†Lida S. Dodson
†Ethel Robey
†Marvel Gilmore
†Jane K. Kastella
†Ruth D. Cockran
†Eva C. Heiner
†Minerva Miller
†Sadie Michael

NEW HAMPSHIRE

(Organized 1914)

Department President - - - - - - - †Edith Ashton Cole

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - - - †Esther Flint

Delegates
†Eva B. Craft
†Len Mc. Zuilkin

Past Presidents
†Amy E. Robinson

†Lizzie Adams
†Etta J. P. Chase
†Carrie B. Cole
†Mary E. Hildreth
†Lovenia Martin
†Ellen Hobbs

†Louise Chamberlain
†Eva Mason
†Lillie B. Ward
†Edith Cole

POTOMAC

(Organized January 22nd, 1934)

Department President - - - - - - - - Susie M. Owry

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Amy D. Putman

Delegates
†Susanna V. Myers
†Anna V. Hausman

Alternates
Olive Van Wagener
Amy Putman

Past Presidents
†Emma Hayward
Margaret H. Worrell

CIRCLES UNDER NATIONAL JURISDICTION

AUGUST WILLICK CIRCLE NO. 1—KENTUCKY

President - - - - - - - - - - - - - †Bessie M. Moore

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Jennie Young

Delegates
Elizabeth Cain
†Pearl Reister
Elizabeth Duyrny

Alternates
Mary Williams
†Ida Mulvey
†Josephine Williams

GENERAL D. S. STANLEY CIRCLE NO. 3—TEXAS

President - - - - - - - - - - - - - †Henrietta Curtis

Senior Vice President - - - - - - - - †Minnie Boyd

Delegates
†Stella Loomis
†May Hough
†Edith Messenger
†Eula Flanagan

Alternates
†Irene Hazen
†Minnie Boyd
†Mary Holhes
†Marie Neff

Memorial Service

Memorial Service for our Sisters and Comrades was held in the Central High School, Monday afternoon at two o'clock, the service was called to order by our National President, Frances Martin Kuhns, who turned it over to the National Chaplain, Mamie Giroux.

Conductor - - - - - - - - - Mary Behm, Pennsylvania

Assistant Conductor - - - - - - Harriet Eaton, New York

Color Bearers—Margaret M. Lindsay, Gold Star Mother and P.D.P. of Pennsylvania; Lillie Patterson, Department President of Pennsylvania.

Solo—"Beautiful Isle of Somewhere"
Marie L. Harkins, Pennsylvania

Two lighted candles on side of wreath.

Sisters, Comrades and Friends:

The hour has arrived which this National Body has set aside and dedicated to the memory of the Sisters and Comrades who having received the call to higher service have laid aside their earthly tasks. Quietly and softly stepped across the threshold of this life into a life of eternal happiness.

In this memorial hour with greatful hearts we offer thanks to God for so precious a gift as the example of those in whose memory we pay tribute and reverence today.

Prayer—By Edwina P. Trigg, Past National Secretary of Missouri

Solo—"Face to Face" - - - - - - - - - Marie L. Harkins

Tribute to our departed Sisters and Comrades by
Sister Lillian Clark Casey, Past National President of Iowa

Calling Roll of Departments by May B. Slattery,
National Secretary of Pennsylvania

Sister Nellie Stammel, Past National Junior Vice President of Indiana in memory of our Past National Chaplain, Laura Critchfield.

Sister Pearl Cooke, Past National President of Illinois in memory of Sisters Harriet Hudson, Past National Chaplain, Belle Reynolds, Sarah Boyd, Past National Officers.

Sister Eunice Rash, Past National Correspondent Secretary of Kansas in memory of Mollie Hunter, Past National Officer of Kansas and First Department President of that state.

Yellow roses were placed in a broken wreath by these Sisters. A circle of twenty-two department presidents placed red roses in wreath in memory of their departed sisters of their states.

Solo—"Abide With Me" - - - - - - - - Marie L. Harkins

Prayer by Edwina P. Trigg, Past National Secretary.

Closing by National Chaplain, Mamie Giroux.

TRIBUTE TO THE GRAND ARMY

In this memorial hour with grateful hearts we offer thanks to God for so great a gift as the example of those to whose memory we pay tribute and reverence.

As one by one these Comrades answer to the call of Taps, and close their eyes in dreamless sleep, may the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic be ever ready to place a wreath on each grassy mound that marks a soldier's resting place, in memory of their blood kin and the flag they fought to save.

Humbly and reverently we pay tribute to our dear Comrades, who so willingly sacrificed their lives, that we might live in peace, these heroes died for liberty.

Brief life is here our portion
Brief sorrow, short lived care
The life that knows no ending
The tearless life is there
O happy retribution
Short toll eternal rest
For mortals and for sinners a mansion with the blest
Soon at his feet their souls will lie
In life's last struggling breath
But they shall only seem to die
They shall not taste of death.

C. H. WILLIAM RUHE
Commander-in-Chief of Grand Army of the Republic

FRANCES MARTIN KUHNS
National President Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

PRESENTATION OF PORTRAIT OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN

A very beautiful picture of Abraham Lincoln was presented to the Central High School in Madison, Wisconsin, on September 6th, 1937, by our National Patriotic Instructor, Sister Margaret Hopkins Worrell. In making the presentation Sister Worrell said:

"On the 12th day of February, 1809, there was born in a log cabin in Kentucky, a man-child. He is known to us as Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln was educated in the University of Nature—educated by cloud and star—by field and winding stream—by billowed plain and solemn forests—by storm and night—by eager Spring and Summer flowers—by Autumn woods and winter fireside.

"He had the 'touch of nature that makes the whole world kin'."

"The sympathies of Lincoln, his ties of kindred were with the South. His sense of justice and his ideals were with the North.

"Lincoln was a statesman. And there is this difference between a statesman and a politician—a politician schemes and works in every way to make people do something for him—a statesman wishes to do something for the people.

"With Lincoln place and power were a means to an end and the end was the good of his country. Lincoln believed in the sovereignity of the people. In the midst of storm he stood unmoved, patient, just and candid. In his brain there was no cloud and in his heart no hate. He cared nothing for place, but everything for principle. Let us never forget that nothing discloses real character like the use of power. If you wish to know what a man really is give him power. This is the supreme test. It is to the glory of Lincoln that having almost absolute power, he never abused it. He knew no fear except the fear of doing wrong.

"The memory of Lincoln is the strongest, tenderest tie that binds all hearts together now, and holds all States beneath our Nation's flag.

"It gives me very great pleasure indeed to present to you, from the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, this portrait of our beloved Lincoln."

The Superintendent of Central High School accepted the portrait of Abraham Lincoln assuring the members of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic of their appreciation of so splendid a gift, stating it would be placed in a very prominent place in the school.

Closed by singing, "America."

PROCEEDINGS

of the

FIFTY-FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION

of the

LADIES OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

TUESDAY MORNING SESSION

Tuesday Morning, September 7th, 1937, at 9:30 o'clock, the first business session opened in the auditorium, Central High School. The stage was beautifully decorated with flowers and silk flags, the portrait of Abraham Lincoln resting in the center of the stage. National Counselor, Wynnye G. Williamson introduced Past National President, Annie M. Michener. To the notes of a brilliant march played by National Musician, Lillian Avison, the color bearers, composed of the delegates of our National President's own Department, the Department of Pennsylvania marched up the aisle through an arch of flags, followed by Past National President, Catherine DeLacy Roche, acting as the escort to National President, she was presented to Past National President, Annie M. Michener, who in turn presented to the 51st National Convention our own National President, Frances Martin Kuhns. Sister Kuhns thanked Sisters Roche, Michener and Avison and in a few well chosen words extended a cordial welcome to the officers, delegates and the many visitors.

The National Officers were escorted to the platform and introduced by our National President. All Past National Presidents were introduced. Our National President expressed her pleasure and delight in having fourteen Past National Presidents present in her Convention. Sister Kuhns thanked her Officers and Past National Presidents for their kindness and co-operation during the year.

The members of the Legislative Ways and Means Committees and the Memorial Shrine Commission were introduced and welcomed. National Musician, Lillie Avison and National Soloist, Marie Harkins were introduced and welcomed.

National President asked that the Department President of each State be escorted to the platform, they were welcomed by our National President and presented to the Convention, every Department was represented except Vermont.

Sister Marie Harkins presented our National President's own three Sisters, Sudie McGee, of Kansas; Sara Foreman, Pennsylvania; and Wilma Martin, of Illinois. Our National President in presenting her Sisters to the Convention, spoke of the help and inspiration they had been to her during her administration, and today she is reminded of the three links Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty that bind us together.

Our National Secretary read four telegrams from the son, daughter, grand children and niece of our National President who were unable to attend the Convention, but sent their greetings and good wishes for a happy and successful Convention.

The Guard announced a Committee from the Grand Army of the Republic in waiting, they were escorted in by P. N. P. Catherine DeLacy Roche and P. N. P. Annie M. Michener, they were welcomed by our National President and presented to the Convention Past Commander-in-Chief, Col. Russell C. Martin, Past Commander-in-Chief, Alfred Stacy and National Junior Vice Commander, Dr. Overton H. Minnet. Col. Martin made a very interesting address, as did Com. Stacy. Dr. Mennet made a few brief remarks and sang "Who Will Tell the Story When the Boys in Blue are Gone?" Sister Roche in her own sweet way responded to the greetings, Soloist Marie Harkins sang "An Old Fashion Garden." They were presented with badges and retired.

Guard announced the Commander-in-Chief, and Department Commander of Pennsylvania in waiting, National President appointed P.N.P. Annie M. Michener and P.N.P. Catherine DeLacy Roche, both from Pennsylvania as escorts to the Commander-in-Chief and his committee, C. H. Wm. Ruhe of Pennsylvania and A. J. Anderson, of Pennsylvania were introduced and given a hearty welcome. Commander-in-Chief in his greetings to the Convention, spoke very highly of our National President, and told how much both he and Mrs. Ruhe enjoyed her company, and of the many pleasant trips they had enjoyed together during the past year. Comrade Anderson extended greetings from the Department of Pennsylvania. Our National President, Sister Kuhns responded to the greetings of our honored guests saying:

As National President, I do want to say how very happy I am to welcome you my National Commander-in-Chief to my Convention today, and I assure you your kindness and council during my administration shall always be a very pleasant memory.

I thank God He has spared your life, that you may have the privilege to preside over the 71st National Encampment, and I know it will go down in history as one of the outstanding Encampments of the Grand Army of the Republic.

And to you Comrade Anderson, of my own Department, I bid you welcome and I am happy to greet you today, and I extend to you my best wishes for a successful year. Our Soloist, Marie Harkins sang "We Love You Truly."

The Committee on arrangements for the National Convention were escorted to the platform. Our National President introduced Sister Alma C. J. Speckner, Department President of Wisconsin and General Chairman of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Wisconsin, Sister Marie Melzner, Chairman of Local Allied Organizations of National Committee for Encampment, and Sister Ella Denson, Local President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, of Madison. Sister Speckner welcomed the delegates to Wisconsin and said that she considered it a pleasure and a privilege to serve as Chairman of arrangements for this National Convention. It has been a joy to work with you my National President, and I thank you for your confidence in me. I hope that the National Officers and delegates will enjoy every moment of their stay in Madison. Sister Ella Denton also welcomed the delegation to Madison. Sister Marie Melzner in her address of welcome congratulated our National President and said, Sister National President and our honored guests:

For months the city of Madison has been preparing for a great pageant; parks, streets, buildings, private residences and even the by-ways seemed touched with a magic wand, until it seems a "city beautiful" surrounded with its myriad of lakes sparkling in the sun-

shine, while over all, floating from cornice, dome and tower, can be seen "Old Glory" waving out a welcome to all.

Madison is today your honored host, we welcome you, not alone in words, but in spirit and action. We hope that you will feel at home in our city.

In walking about town and visiting our stores, please wear your badges, so that our townspeople may extend the courtesies and hospitalities they desire to show delegates to this convention.

Do not hesitate to ask for information, for the entire community from the Boy Scouts to the Madison and Wisconsin Foundation, desires to be of service to you.

We cannot extend to you the keys to our city gates, for Madison has neither key nor gates, but is as free and open to you as are the hearts of our people.

Sister Frances, may the days you and the members of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic spend here, be colorful pages in memory's book.

Again we bid you welcome.

They presented our National President, with a basket of beautiful flowers from the Department of Wisconsin.

Our National President in accepting the beautiful flowers and kind words from the Committee said, It has been a real joy to have Sister Speckner and Sister Melzner as her Committee, to help her plan for one of the very best Conventions ever held, and she had no words to express her appreciation to these two Sisters who left nothing undone to make our stay in Madison so very pleasant, and she took this opportunity to thank every member of Madison Circle for their part in the Convention.

Sister Mary Behm, of Pennsylvania presented our National President with a Vase of beautiful Yellow Roses and a Tray from the Home family at Swissvale, Pennsylvania, Ladies of the G. A. R. Home, where our National President, is the Superintendent.

The Delegates of Pennsylvania, our National President's own State were admitted and marched to the front and each Sister placed a Red Rose in the Emblem of the Keystone State. A dime was hidden in every rose, as the rose was placed in the Emblem the Sister repeated a portion of a Poem, they then sang the Pennsylvania State Song. At the conclusion Sister Mary Barclay read the entire Poem, which was very beautiful.

Convention appointments were read:—

Assistant Secretary.....Maybelle S. Nissen, Pennsylvania
Musician.....Lillie Avison, Pennsylvania
Soloist.....Marie L. Harkins, Pennsylvania

Pages:
Frances Dorsey, Michigan, Chief Page.
Loretta Newmeyer, Pennsylvania; Emily DuBois, Nebraska.

Conductors:
Tuesday—Henrietta Cline, New Jersey; Lillie Patterson, Pennsylvania.
Wednesday—Maude Simons, Minnesota; Harriet Eaton, New York. —

MAYBELLE S. NISSEN

Assistant National Secretary

Thursday—Blanche McKelvey, Colorado; Mary Behm, Pennsylvania.

Guards:

Tuesday—Lucie Haines, Kansas; Ila Mae Armstrong, Pennsylvania; Frances A. Beamer, Washington; Zella G. Chalupka, Iowa.

Wednesday—Millicent Eifert, Illinois; Sadie Worley, Indiana; Eva M. Goodwin, New York; Amanda Hargis, Missouri.

Thursday—Annetta S. Schmidt, Wisconsin; Clara E. Smith, Ohio; Lois Bevin, Rhode Island; Eva Anderson, Connecticut.

Committees

Credentials:
May B. Slattery, National Secretary.
Maybelle S. Nissen, Pennsylvania.
Unice Rash, Kansas.
Alberta Carothers, Ohio.
Lillian Walls, Michigan.
Mabel Y. Coffey, Colorado.

Courtesy:
All Past National Presidents.

Press:
Gertrude Walbridge, New York.
Ethel Cottrell, Michigan.
Dove Crapp, Washington-Alaska.

National President's Report:
Emily J. Tompkins, New York.
Lyda Manson, Indiana.

National Secretary and National Treasurer's Reports:
Catherine DeLacy Roche, Pennsylvania.
Lillian Wilson, Oklahoma.
Irene Patella, Utah.
Addie Stone, Vermont.

All Other Officers' Reports:
Martha J. VanDuzor, Illinois.
Essie Bybee, Idaho.
Anna Holloway, Nebraska.
Zella Wurtzbacker, West Virginia.

Resolutions:
Edwina Trigg, Missouri.
Josephine Mahar, Missouri.
Ethel Richardson, Illinois.
Josephine Glass.

Membership Awards:
Edwina P. Trigg, Missouri.
Ola Dickle, West Virginia.
Ruby Dean, Minnesota.
Carrie North, Ohio.
Emma Gruber, Wisconsin.

Bugle Call Awards:
Cassea Orsborn, Idaho.
Catherine DeLacy Roche, Pennsylvania.
Lillian Clark Cary, Iowa.

Greetings Committees

Greeting Committee to the Grand Army:
- Carrie V. Sherriff, P.N.P.
- Clara N. Sawyer, P.N.P.
- Catherine DeLacy Roche, P.N.P.
- Annie M. Michener, P.N.P.
- Ethel M. Irish, P.N.P.
- Eva J. Frenck, P.N.P.
- May B. Slattery, National Secretary.
- Lillie Patterson, Department President of Pennsylvania.

Greeting Committee to Woman's Relief Corps:
- Emily J. Tompkins, P.N.P.
- Martha J. Van Duzor, P.N.P.
- Cassea H. Orsborn, P.N.P.
- Cora M. Rowling, P.N.P.
- Eva M. Ervin, Department President of Maine.

Greetings Committee to Daughters of Union Veterans of Civil War:
- Wynnye G. Williamson, P.N.P.
- Helen M. Lehman, P.N.P.
- Gladys W. Newton, Past National Secretary.
- Mary Weatherbee, Department President of California.
- Marian Crocker, Department President of Florida.

Greetings Committee to Sons of Union Veterans of Civil War:
- Lillian Clark Cary, P.N.P.
- Margaret Grandel, P.N.P.
- Sarah J. Ehrmann, P.N.P.
- Lillie Patterson, Department President of Pennsylvania.
- Nellie Snell, Department President.

Greetings Committee of Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of Civil War:
- Josephine Mahar, P.N.P.
- Lyda Manson, P.N.P.
- Pearl C. Cooke, P.N.P.
- Mabel A. Balch, Department President of Massachusetts.
- Edwina Trigg, Past National Secretary.

Order of Business

Report of Credential Committee.
Report of Council of Administration.
Report of National President.
Reports of National Officers.
Reports of Committees.
Roll Call and seating delegates.
Minutes of Advisory Council Meeting.
Unfinished Business.
New Business.
Nomination and Election of Officers.
Installation of Officers.

Motion made by National Chaplain, Mamie Giroux, seconded by Past National Treasurer, Maybelle S. Nissen, this order of business be adopted as read. Carried.

The Report of Credential Committee

The National Secretary, as Chairman of the Credential Committee, reported that credentials from thirty departments and two

circles under National Jurisdiction, with 264 delegates entitled to be seated.

Motion by P.N.P. Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by Sister Sadie Mae Williams, that we adjourn until 2:00 P.M. Carried.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The National President, called the Convention to order at 1:45 Tuesday afternoon, September 7th, 1937. Pass-word was taken. Scripture Lesson read by National Chaplain, Mamie Giroux, the Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison. The pledge to the Flag was led by National Patriotic Instructor, Margaret H. Worrell, Convention sang "Guard The Flag."

Greetings Committee from the Woman's Relief Corps was announced, P.N.P. Emily J. Tompkins, P.N.P. Josephine Mahar and P.N.P. Wynnye G. Williamson retired and escorted in P.D.P. Orpha Turner, P.D.P. Freeda Herrick, P.D.P. Mary Kessler and P.D.P. Rebecca Blaine. These visitors made some very pleasing remarks and presented our National President with a gift from their Organization. P.N.P. Emily J. Tompkins responded to their greetings and presented to each a badge of our Order. A Committee from the Woman's Relief Corps of Wisconsin was announced, the following were introduced, P.D.P. Cora E. Harris, P.D.P. May L. Luchsinger, and P.D.P. Dora M. Wilton. Sister Tompkins also responded to their kind remarks. Soloist Marie Harkins sang "Loves Old Sweet Song."

Greeting Committee from the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War was announced, P.N.P. Catherine DeLacy Roche, P.N.P. Cassea H. Orsborn and P.N.P. Lyda J. Manson retired and escorted in Past Department Commander of Missouri, Dr. E. W. Homan; Department Commander of Pennsylvania, Albert F. Post; Commander John Glass of California. They were welcomed by our National President and presented to the Convention, their kind remarks were enjoyed by the entire delegation, they presented our National President with a basket of beautiful flowers, Sister Roche responded, thanking them for their kind words and extended our good wishes to their organization. Sister Annabel Buchan of Illinois sang "We Dream of You."

Committee with greetings from the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War were announced and escorted into the Convention by S.V.P. Sister Orpha Whitaker, P.N.P. Emily J. Tompkins and P.D.P. Mary F. Barclay of Pennsylvania. The following were introduced and welcomed; National Patriotic Instructor, Mahala Buckley; P.D.P. of Pennsylvania Catherine Joyce and Nettie Hays, Personal Aid to the National President of the Auxiliary, they extended loving greetings to our National President, and to the Convention and presented our National President with a gift from their organization, and a personal gift from their National President. Senior Vice President, Ortha Whitaker responded to the greetings.

Committee with greetings from the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War was announced, P.N.P. Ethel M. Irish; National Counselor, Wynnye G. Williamson; National Inspector, Effie M. Thrasher and National Press Correspondent, Gertrude Walbridge retired and presented Ida M. Glasgow, P.D.P. of Illinois; Myrtle Hoeft, P.D.P. of Rhode Island; Carrie W. Brown, D.P. of Ohio and Sister Kathryn Heck, they were introduced and welcomed to our Convention, each extended kind and loving greetings to our National President and to our Officers and delegates, and presented our National Presi-

dent with a basket of beautiful flowers, Sister Wynnye G. Williamson responded to the kind remarks. Sister Ada Jackson of Michigan favored us with a Whistling Solo, which was appreciated by all, Sister Annabel Buchan asked for the privilege of singing to our National President, and her selection was, "Just as You Look Today."

National Senior Vice President Orpha Whitaker presided while our National President read her report.

Report of National President

Madison, Wisconsin, September 5th, 1937

To the Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Sisters:

In the beautiful capitol city of Washington, D. C., one year ago, at the Fiftieth Golden Jubilee, you elected me to the high office of National President and as I took the obligation, and you placed in my hand the sacred trust of leadership, I fully realized the great responsibility that would be mine during the year. I made a promise to live true to the Golden Rule—"Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

I have endeavored to serve you loyally and faithfully, dealing justly with all, thinking kindly of all and having uppermost in my mind at all times the interest of our Organization. Whatever has been accomplished for the progress and betterment of our Sisters has indeed made the year's work worthwhile.

It has been a very happy experience to serve you as National President and I wish to express to you my sincere appreciation of the honor conferred.

I bid you welcome today to the Fifty-first National Convention, where we have come to council together, renew our pledges of loyalty, and to plan for the future of our Organization that it may grow in the coming year, and that great progress may be made by the coming administration.

Every hour and every day I have tried as your National President to accomplish some worthy object, some good deed which I trust will reflect great credit on our Order. I have given you the best I had to give, in the hope that we might bring to you, the record of a very successful year.

I want to express my thanks to the Sisters who served with me as Department Presidents this year and for all their splendid co-operation. No National President has ever had better or more willing helpers than I have had.

Many honors have been conferred on me in my own Circle and Department this past year and I want to again express my thanks and appreciation to all my Sisters who had a part, for Banquet Receptions and for all their gifts and beautiful flowers, but above all for their love and loyalty, as this has been one of the happiest years of my life, made possible by the members of the National Body.

In the joys of our reunion, in the midst of our happiness, there is a sadness which comes to us at the opening of our Convention today, as we are reminded of those dear ones who met with us last year but have been called Home. Again God in His wisdom has seen fit to take from us one of our National Official Family and Past National Chaplain, Laura Critchfield. She was your Sister and mine, but most of all, a true Sister of our Organization. Her gracious personality and smile leaves a lasting impression on us and prompts us to say, "Gone but not forgotten."

One of the last official duties she performed was to attend the Florida Convention as my representative—her letter of thanks and appreciation to me for giving her that honor I shall cherish all my life.

The Angel of Death has entered every Department and taken from us many faithful Sisters and Comrades. To their dear ones we extend our deepest sympathy; our loss is their gain and God's will not ours be done.

While fadeth the day and dark shadows draw nigh,
With Christ close at hand 'tis not death to die,
He'll dry every tear, wipe away every care,
We'll say Good Night here, but Good Morning up there.

Pennsylvania was elated over the honor that had come to them, and I was honored in having as my installing officer Annie M. Michener, Past National President of Pennsylvania and assisted by Catherine DeLacy Roche, Past National President of Pennsylvania and Clara N. Sawyer, Past National President of California.

Anna Good, Department President of Pennsylvania and Frances Haskell, National Council of Administration of Washington and Alaska, acted as Escorts for this installation; and I was so happy to have the sixty-six delegates from my Department act as Guards of Honor. Those who witnessed the installation said it was both beautiful and impressive.

On my return from the Convention to the Ladies Grand Army Home of Swissvale, Pennsylvania, where for the past three years I have served as Superintendent, a warm welcome was extended me by the Board of Managers, my seventy-five guests of the home, the nurses and employees. Their very best wishes were extended me and all pledged their support.

Through the kindness of the Board of Managers, the National Headquarters were established at the Ladies Grand Army Home, Swissvale, Pennsylvania, where for many days messages, telegrams, and letters of congratulations came from Sisters all over the United States with their Best Wishes and pledging to me their cooperation.

The National Commander-in-Chief, C. H. William Ruhe of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, serving as Superintendent of Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall, was given the honor of having National Headquarters there; this is something that has never happened before in the State of Pennsylvania, when the Commander-in-Chief and National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic were elected to serve the same year both from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

It has been real joy to have the National Commander-in-Chief from my own state this year. I have traveled many miles and attended many Conventions with Commander-in-Chief C. H. Ruhe and his good wife, having had the honor a number of times in presenting him to the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. I extend to

him many thanks for his kindness to me during my year and wish for him a happy and successful Encampment.

My daughter and family, son and wife, were first to entertain me as the National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. This happy occasion I shall never forget, and they shall always be grateful for the great honor the National Body of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic conferred on their mother.

The Captain George A. Cribbs Circle No. 50 of Greensburg, Pennsylvania, where I am a member were delighted that I had again brought another high honor to their Circle, and was entertained by them at a dinner at the Methodist Episcopal Church of Greensburg, my own church, where I have been a member for forty-two years. The dinner was served by the members of my own Sunday School Class, having served them as President of the Class for two years.

The Federated Patriotic organization allied with the Grand Army of the Republic of Allegheny County gave a reception to the Commander-in-Chief C. H. William Ruhe, and your National President, Frances Martin Kuhns, to which the following heads of the allied organizations attended: Ida Heacock Baker of the Women's Relief Corps of Kansas; Adele C. Murphy of New York, Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War; Ida L. Lewis, of Wisconsin, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans; and William Dyer, Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

The Sisters of Pittsburgh, who were delegates to the Conventions, were there with their gold dresses, and the National Commander-in-Chief and National President were escorted to the platform through an arch of flags made by these splendid Sisters. Addresses were made by all and the National officers extended Greetings from their organizations and pledged their support and cooperation to the Commander-in-Chief C. H. William Ruhe, and Best Wishes to him for success, health, and happiness during his administration.

Starting out on my first extended trip in the ice and snow with my Secretary, Mae B. Slattery, we landed in Florida, where for two weeks we enjoyed the beautiful sunshine, and then and there I promised myself to spread sunshine wherever I went and I soon found that every one else had nothing but sunshine and encouragement for their National President and our Organization. I visited the following states: Washington, D. C.; Illinois, Colorado, Connecticut, and Florida, and have attended the following Department Conventions—New Jersey, Pennsylvania, California, Kansas, Ohio, Iowa, Nebraska, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New York, Missouri, Michigan, Wisconsin, Rhode Island, Utah, and New Hampshire. I want to thank the Department President and Sisters of every Department for all their kindness and hospitality. I shall never forget the kindness accorded me and only wish I might have time and space to tell you of every courtesy extended. I could give you a list of all my visitations and official acts and the wonderful places of interest from Florida to California, but it would consume pages of your proceedings; so due to the price of the proceedings being cut from $800.00 to $600.00, many things of interest I would like to tell you must be omitted. I was compelled to ask my officers to join with me in making their reports as brief as possible. I extend my thanks to the Department Presidents for the honor conferred on me of installing them and their officers and extend my best wishes for a happy and successful administration, and I want to take this opportunity to thank the Departments and Sisters for receptions, dinner parties, gifts, and flowers, and the memories of it all I shall never forget.

The Department Presidents honored me many times in placing me as chairman of the Greetings Committee to the Grand Army of the Republic. Their encampments are very small; in one Department only three Comrades were present, yet they are carrying on such a splendid spirit, and ever reminding us of what the American Flag stands for and of the ideals of liberty and justice. The Grand Army of the Republic have written their names in letters of gold upon the history of our country—we owe them a debt we never can pay, but can show appreciation of our heritage by teaching the doctrines of the Grand Army of the Republic and continue to build our Organization and perpetuate their memory.

To the Conventions I sent representatives were: West Virginia, Winnie G. Williamson, National Counselor; Oklahoma, Mildred Christie; Connecticut, Anna M. Michener, Past National President; Illinois, Mamie Geroux, National Chaplain; Washington and Alaska, Frances M. Haskell, National Council of Administration; Idaho, Cassie Orsborne, Past National President; Maine, Frances Linnell, National Legislative Committee; Vermont, Theo Redfern, National Registrar; Indiana, Winnie G. Williamson, National Counselor; The Department of Potomac, Edwina P. Trigg, National Ways and Means Committee. Representatives to other affairs were: Mable S. Nissen, Past National Treasurer; Anna M. Michener, Past National President; Sara J. Ehrman, Past National President, The National Foreign War Convention, Buffalo, New York; Della Chiele, Past Department President, Ohio, to the Spanish War Veterans Convention, Columbus, Ohio; Edwina P. Trigg, National Ways and Means Committee, to the Women's Patriotic Conference on National Defense. To each of these Sisters I want to say thanks, and to say that I received letters from each Department and organization, all reporting how happy they were to receive you and thanking me for sending so splendid a representative.

The correspondence of this office has been very heavy this year, more so than usual, due to the National Quilt Books I sent out to each Department President in November, and I want to thank the members of my official family and all Past National Presidents for being one hundred per cent in all books sent them. To the Departments who have helped I extend my sincere thanks; those one hundred per cent will be announced later. If all Departments had disposed of all books sent them we would have had a nice sum to turn over, yet I am very thankful for all help given, as I realize every Department have their responsibilities.

I have written thousands of letters and cards and sent a number of telegrams and traveled thousands of miles. I installed officers in twenty Circles in my own Department and sent many letters of sympathy and letters to sick Sisters.

I visited thirty-nine Circles during the year and made addresses in all Departments visited. Had part in many patriotic programs, the planting of trees in memory of the Grand Army of the Republic in many Departments.

Have issued four general orders and one memorial letter, and am happy to report six new Circles and two Junior Circles. Pennsylvania and Ohio.

I want to thank the Departments for their general orders and their proceedings of 1936.

Presented flags to Girl Scouts, Troops 1 and 2 in Ellis, Kansas—my personal gift. Too much praise cannot be given for the wonderful work the Boy and Girl Scouts of America are doing.

Have visited a number of schools and addressed 1,400 school children in Stockton, California, and had a part in the presentation of a beautiful flag to the Children's Home in the same city—the gift of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of California. While attending the Convention in Stockton, California, I had the opportunity of seeing: Abraham Lincoln's "Old Gray Shawl."

For the second time in history, the plaid shawl worn by President Abraham Lincoln the night he was assassinated in Ford's theatre in Washington, D. C., was being exhibited in the trophy room at the Civic Auditorium. Property of Mrs. Wm. R. Harr, Washington, D. C., who is the mother of Betty Perrin, manager of the Stockton Convention Bureau, the shawl has been loaned for display during the 70th Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Mrs. Harr is a relative of Alexander Williamson, tutor in the Lincoln family in 1864 and son of Mrs. Anna Williamson, who presented the shawl to President Lincoln. The colorful history of the shawl begins with Lincoln's acknowledgements to Mrs. Williamson, which reads as follows:

"Executive Mansion
Washington, D. C.,
July 29, 1864.

Mrs. Anna Williamson—Madam:

The plaid shawl you sent me is just now placed in my hands by your kind and worthy son.

I thank you for that pretty and useful garment, but still more for those good wishes to myself and our country which prompted you to present it.

Your Obt Serv't,

(Signed) A. LINCOLN."

That Lincoln treasured the gift is evidenced by its frequent wearing.

The Hon. W. H. Herndon of Springfield, Ill., who was a law partner of Mr. Lincoln for a score of years and one of his biographers writes:

"Of a winter's morning the President might be seen stilting it toward the market house, basket on his arm, with "The Old Gray Shawl" wrapped about his neck, with Tad running by his side, asking a thousand little questions."

Those were days when similar shawls were commonly worn by men as well as women.

No "parade" has ever been made of these momentoes. They have been kept as the precious relics they are, honored possessions of the descendants of that Alexander Williamson who had the privilege of being so closely associated with "the best man the world ever saw." And now, to honor a grand old group who have protected the interests of democracy, Mrs. William R. Harr, wife of Commissioner Harr of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, allows the shawl for the second time to be displayed.

The Bugle Call Prizes offered for new members have helped I am sure, and we are very grateful for that, but let us ask ourselves a question—Why are we losing so many of our old members? Are our meetings and gatherings not interesting enough to hold our

membership? I am wondering if we are exercising our principle of charity to those members who have met circumstances over which they have no control.

Let us consider these facts and resolve that the best time for organization work is right and renew our obligation so that we may have a different report at the end of another year.

We should live close to our noblest ideals,
We cannot hold them too high,
The longer the struggle the harder the fight,
The grander the by and by.

We realize how important our Bugle Call, our official paper is. It should be in the home of every member of our Organization. If when a member joins the order you could impress on her mind that the Bugle Call is our Official paper and the help it is to our order for every member to be a subscriber, do you realize what a help it would be to our Organization. There are so many things along patriotic lines to be done and never in the history of our Organization is it needed as it is just now. I am sorry that my National Patriotic Instructor could not do the many things she would have liked to have done due to the lack of funds. Winnie G. Williamson, Past National President and your National President this year are the only two Presidents who have had to call on the Departments for funds to help take care of the National debt, and I assure you it has been most embarrassing at times, and if we could make the Bugle Call subscription a part of the membership fee, I feel it would be a splendid plan to build up our National Treasury, giving us money for Memorial Shrine expenses, Patriotic organization and junior work.

This is our first year to have a Junior Supervisor and at this time I want to thank Lillian Clark Cary, Past National President for accepting this appointment. She has done splendid work this year. We have just started and a great work is before us. I was privileged to visit Junior Organizations, and to see the interest the younger folks are taking is most encouraging. I feel sure that the formation of Junior Clubs, planned by our National Junior Supervisor is one way we can feel secure for the future of our Organization.

I attended the meeting of the Women's Patriotic Conference on National Defense as third Vice President of our Organization at the Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C., October 26th and was very much impressed with the called meeting of the President, Mrs. Oscar W. Hahn, who presented her plans for the January Conference. Due to illness I was unable to attend the January Conference but had as our representative, Edwina P. Triggs, who has attended these meetings the past few years. This is the twelfth year and their reports show great progress along the lines of National Defense and the report of delegates show National Daughters of Union Veterans—30; National Women's Relief Corps—23; National Ladies of the Grand Army—19; National Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans—10—all allied with the Grand Army of the Republic.

This conference is made up of forty participating organizations doing work along all patriotic lines. While it costs our Organization $50.00 membership fee a year, I really feel it would be a great mistake if we did not retain our membership in this Organization. Commander-in-Chief C. H. Wm. Ruhe and Mrs. Ruhe and Anna M. Michener, Past National President attended the mass meeting and banquet and were very much impressed with the work that had been done this past year.

While in Washington, D. C., I attended the services held at the Monument of John Paul Jones, Father of the Navy, and placed flowers in the name of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic in company with Lillian Clark Cary, Past National President and Margaret Worrell, National Patriotic Instructor.

During my visit in California, Past National President, Carrie V. Sherriff, Clara N. Sawyer, Past National President and National Junior Vice President, Catherine Schroeder joined me in visiting the world famed Forest Lawn Memorial Park, known as America's most outstanding Cemetery. It contains hundreds of objects of art including the Capital Majestic, Capital Memorial Court of Honor the renowned, The Last Supper Window, the greatest collection of marble statuary, and the most note-worthy collection of stained glass in America. Set in the hill the court, known as God's Garden where silence is enjoined in behalf of those who come to draw apart in meditation and prayer.

Here in this beautiful cemetery rests our first National President, Laura McNear Loud and as National President, I placed flowers on her grave. The memorial placed there last year as the gift of the National Body of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic is a very fitting marker to her memory.

I enjoyed the visits to the Homes throughout the states and congratulate the Sisters who maintain them. I have said so many times that the states who do not have Homes do not know what the work of our Organization is, as there are so many more demands on the Circle Sisters to keep up these Homes, but in doing so add pleasure and comfort to the wives, sisters and daughters who are under their care. Having been connected with the Ladies Grand Army Home at Swissvale, Pennsylvania, for the past twenty-seven years, I know the wonderful work the members of Pennsylvania are doing. These Homes stand as monuments to the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Sisters of other states—why not give a thought once in a while and a helping hand.

These Mothers now sit in a cozy home,
War Mothers of '61
They know they are safe from all life's gales,
And are nearing the setting sun.

They are living now in their yesterdays,
O'er the path their minds doeth roam
And they thank the Lord with one accord
For the shelter of the Ladies of these Grand Army Homes.

I am grateful for the affiliations I have enjoyed with the National Presidents of The Allied Organizations. Ida Heacock Baker of the Women's Relief Corps, Adele C. Murphy, Daughters of Union Veterans; Ida L. Lewis, Auxiliary of the Sons of Union Veterans; Mary J. Love, Federation Patriotic Societies, have been most cordial at all times and although we are separate and distinct organizations we are united in our desire and purpose to perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic. With this thought in mind there has been that mutual understanding which has made our year together so very pleasant. I wish for each one a very happy and successful Convention.

Commander-in-Chief William Dyer has been a most noble coworker, he has been generous in his praise for the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. I believe the Sons of Veterans have

before them a great future and they will be an Organization of great force, value and benefit to our Country and will carry on the work of the Grand Army of the Republic in the years to come. I assure you, Commander-in-Chief Dyer, the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic are willing and ready to assist the Sons of Veterans at all times.

And now that I have come to the end of my year's work and pass on to my successor the responsibilities of this office, I have only the very pleasant memories and wish for her the same splendid co-operation I have had.

To my Official Family—just what you have been to me I cannot express to you in words. I have never asked a favor that it has not been granted and ever and always so ready to cooperate in every undertaking. I shall always remember you as my Official Family.

To my Counselor, Wynnye G. Williamson, I want to thank you for all your kindness and your letters of encouragement and help during my year, and it was a real joy to have you visit me with your National Secretary Gladys Newton at National Headquarters and to share the honors at the Banquet at Mayfair Hotel given for me by the Presidents Association of Western Pennsylvania.

To the Past National Presidents who have been so kind to me during my year and who have been my inspiration and help, for your encouraging letters and kindness I thank you, and I shall be so happy to join the ranks of the Past National Presidents.

My National Treasurer, Ethelyn P. Smith, for you I have nothing but praise and to have this opportunity to know you better has been a real joy. You have indeed made a splendid Treasurer and I thank you for your kindness to me and the hospitality shown me in your home.

And now, to my Secretary, Sister and friend, Mae B. Slattery I cannot express in words what you have meant to me this year. I am indeed indebted to you for the faithful service rendered during the year, always ready and willing to help in any way. Our year has been a most pleasant and happy one and trust our friendship may grow as the years go by.

It is always well to survey the past for the purpose of planning for the future, so let us look back for a moment to the group of women who from 1883 to 1885, when there were various societies of women connected with Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic throughout the United States, who differed from each other in ideas of a membership, eligibility, form of discipline, etc., but who were of one accord in their aim to assist the Grand Army of the Republic in its charitable work as well as having the desire to share in the pleasures of its social functions.

An effort was made to consolidate these Organizations which was not successful, owing to the differences of opinion as to the eligibility.

The Loyal Ladies League held out for the blood relationship to the soldiers and while small in numbers gained showing in membership founded on this principle and in 1885 in Chicago, Illinois, was formed a National Organization with the title of Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. Whatever measure of success has been ours and whatever we may hope to become in the future is due in a great measure to the ideals and principles laid down for us in the past by the pioneers of our order, faithfully lived up to through the years, and graciously looked forward to for the future.

So today, we look back with deep appreciation to our faithful members of long standing and to all who have worked and made possible this splendid Organization we have today.

Let us look with hope to the future where cooperation and understanding will help us build an Organization that will be a living memorial to the Grand Army of the Repubic.

For every year they are marching slower,
Every year they are stooping lower,
Every year the lilting music stirs the hearts of older men.

Every year the flags above them,
Seems to bend and bless and love them,
As if grieving for the future,
When they'll never march again.

And now in closing I trust the records of my year's work will meet with your approval.

Faithfully yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

FRANCES MARTIN KUHNS,

National President.

Our National President's Report was received with great applause, and on motion of Sister Mary F. Barclay, of Pennsylvania, seconded by Sister Olivine Smith, of New York, this splendid report be accepted with thanks and turned over to the Committee on National President's report, Carried. A rising vote of thanks was extended to our National President for her year's work. National Soloist, Marie Harkins sang, "We Love You Truly."

Our National Secretary, May B. Slattery, presented the Past National Presidents Jewel to our National President, Sister Slattery said in part "Sister Frances we have watched you all through the year, and we come to express in a small way our love and gratitude for your earnest endeavors throughout the past year, not only the officers and delegates of this Convention, but the entire membership from coast to coast, join with us today. Your own Department, the Department of Pennsylvania, the largest department in the national body, are happy and proud of you. You have endeared yourself to all, by your kindness and your sweet personality, and your earnest prayer was that God would bless and protect our Organization, and give you added strength to continue in the work for our beloved order. We are all proud of you and we love you. I am very happy to have the honor and privilege of pinning on your breast this badge, as a token of our love, a badge that expresses so much. Please accept this Jewel with our love and good wishes.

In accepting this beautiful Jewel as the gift of the National Organization, I know of no one who I would sooner have pin it on my breast than you my dear Sister May, Secretary and Friend. It has been a joy all year to work with you, and you have given to me twelve faithful months of splendid service, and no National President ever had a better Secretary, always so kind and thoughtful. I want you to know that I shall never forget this wonderful year we have served together and trust our friendship for each other may never be broken. I am so happy that I have the eligibility to wear this beautiful Emblem. I again thank you.

Our National President requested all greeting Committees to retire at this time, and gave each Committee a gift to present to the respective organization which they were to visit.

MAMIE GIROUX
National Chaplain

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National Registrar

REPORT OF NATIONAL SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Madison, Wis.
September 7th, 1937.

To the National President, Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Sisters:—

A little less than a year ago in the beautiful city of Washington, D. C., you graciously bestowed upon me your unanimous vote for Senior Vice President of our splendid organization, and how happy and proud I was to carry that honor back to my Department of New Jersey.

The year has passed swiftly and I am thankful to be permitted to meet with you today and make the report of office which our Order requires.

Our beloved National President, Sister Frances M. Kuhns, has served so efficiently that the duties encumbent upon my position has been very light, however, I was ready and willing to serve if needed, and it has been a real pleasure to be associated with the splendid staff of National Officers.

While in Florida in December I visited the Circle in Tampa, owing to a severe storm there were not enough present to hold a meeting but I enjoyed the visit with Sister May Caswell and other Sisters.

In January I had the honor of installing the Officers of my own and two other Circles.

On March 6th, I had the honor of representing the National President at the Fiftieth Anniversary of Lincoln Circle No. 3 of Jersey City, this was a splendid affair held in the Elks Club where a delightful banquet was served, the tables were bowers of beauty in gold colored flowers. A splendid program was enjoyed by all, many present and past National Officers were present.

On Memorial Day I had the extreme pleasure to participate in the joint memorial services at the Soldiers Monument in the city of Camden, made an address in honor of our departed heroes.

In June at our Department Convention, we had the great pleasure and honor of having our National President, Sister Frances, with us and I know that her visit was enjoyed by all present. Her inspiring address concerning our Organization, and her charming personality endeared her to all our members. We were also happy to have Comrade C. H. William Ruhe, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic visit us at this time his wonderful words of counsel and advice was an inspiration. New Jersey had only five Comrades at their Encampment.

I have tried to advance the work of our Organization to the best of my ability, and wish to extend my appreciation to all Departments, for their courtesy in sending me General Orders, letters greeting cards and invitations, many new friends have been made and old friends made dearer.

Again thanking you for the privilege of serving in this honored position. With best wishes for the prosperity of our beloved Order, and trusting this Convention will be an inspiration and help to every one present.

Sincerely yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

ORPHA M. WHITAKER,
National Senior Vice President.

On motion of Sister Maybelle S. Nissen, seconded by Sister Sadie Mae Williams this report be accepted and turned over to committee on National Officers Reports, and all other reports when read, to follow the same course. Carried.

REPORT OF NATIONAL JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Madison, Wisconsin.

To Frances M. Kuhns, National President,
Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first Annual Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Sisters:—

The greetings and thanks of California, as well as my own are extended for the honor given our Department when, at Washington, D. C., last year you elected me to the office of National Junior Vice President.

This report must of necessity be brief, as the duties of this office have been very light, due to the fact that we have had a very capable President and a very efficient Senior Vice President.

One of the happiest weeks of the fifty-two was spent with our National President, visiting that wonderful Home at Swissvale, Pa., where she presides as Superintendent.

I wish to state here to all of the Sisters that it is worth your efforts to visit this wonderful Home and see the comfort and care our Sisters have. Our Frances is to be highly commended.

I presented a flag to the University Methodist Episcopal Church of Los Angeles, for Los Angeles Circle No. 66. President Cora Wiggie, and several Comrades and Sisters were present; had the honor of installing newly elected officers of several Circles, and assisting with two.

To enumerate all theater parties, banquets, and luncheons held in my honor, gifts, and flowers, time and space forbids.

I was the honored guest at a luncheon given our Mayor, Hon. Frank L. Shaw, and had the pleasure of entertaining our National President in my home.

A visit to me of the following sisters was also a pleasure of the year:

Past National President, Carrie V. Sheriff of California.

Past National President, Clara N. Sawyer of California.

National Inspector, Effie M. Thrasher of Des Moines, Iowa.

Department President, Sadie Michaels of Utah.

Department Musician, Alice D. Smith of Michigan.

Department Secretary, Laura Walbaum of Illinois.

At no time has this office failed to speak or act for the Organization, and to assist in every way possible the work for which we are banded together. I have observed all patriotic holidays; attended Memorial Day services with the Grand Army of the Republic, and added four new members to my Circle roll call.

50 new subscribers and 58 renewals for the Bugle Call have been obtained.

I have disposed of 25 Books on the Quilt.

My thanks are extended to the Departments for sending General Orders, for invitations, and for the many pretty attentions and courtesies—these are all highly appreciated.

Many new friends have been made and old friendships made dearer. Relations with the National Family have been most pleasant and the year is reviewed with much satisfaction.

With best wishes for a continued happiness and harmony in our Order, I am

Lovingly yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

CATHERINE G. SCHROEDER,
National Junior Vice President.

REPORT OF NATIONAL SECRETARY

To the National President Frances M. Kuhns, Officers and Members of The Fifty-first National Convention of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Sisters:

It is a great pleasure, as well as a privilege to have been chosen to work with your National President, who is so dear to me, and has endeared herself to all who have met her, and a privilege to have been able to render service to our beloved Order, and to submit for your consideration, a report of my year's work as National Secretary together with a statement of the condition of the Departments and Circles under National jurisdiction.

Number of Departments at last report			31
Number of Departments gained during the year			0
Total number of Departments			31
Number of Circles at last report			692
Gained during the year by institution			7
Aggregate			699
Lost during the year			44
Number of Circles remaining in good standing			655
Number of Junior Circles at last report			31
Gained during the year			2
Aggregate			33
Lost during the year			6
Number of Junior Circles remaining in good standing			27
Total number of Circles			685
Number of members at last report			27,234
Gained during the year—By Initiation		1,400	
By Transfer		202	
By Re-instatement		171	
By Institution New Circles		113	
Total Gain			1,896
Aggregate			29,130
Lost during the year—By death		766	
By Honorable discharge		533	
By Dishonorable discharge		1	
By Transfer		276	
By Non-payment of dues		1,171	
By Disbanded Circles		562	
Total loss		3,309	
Number remaining in good standing subject to Per Capita Tax		25,821	
Honorary Members—Veterans of the Civil War	818		
Sons, Grandsons and Nephews	5,505		
Army Nurses	1		
Junior Members	562		
Total number of members		32,647	

RECEIPTS

Total amount of funds at last report	$ 34,569.36	
Total amount received during the year	80,989.64	
Total amount on hand		$115,559.00

EXPENDITURES

Per Capita Tax paid to Departments	$ 13,076.21	
For Relief	12,967.55	
For Incidentals	18,306.38	
For G. A. R.	575.29	
For Soldier's Home	302.65	
For Soldiers Widow's Home	3,181.21	
For Veterans and Wife Homes	511.93	
For Convention Memorial	1,720.98	
For Patriotic Work	6,100.39	
Extra Expenditures	2,925.72	
Total Expenditures for the year		59,728.29
Amount in Memorial Fund	525.83	
Amount in Relief Fund	929.51	
Amount in Special Fund	7,484.94	
Amount in General Fund	17,647.74	
Total amount of Funds on hand		55,833.28
Relief other than Money (estimated)	61,295.92	
Flags used in Burial Services	315	
Per Capita Tax paid to National		4,190.13

Report of Membership in Departments

	1936	Gain	Lost	1937
New Jersey	939	52	85	906
Pennsylvania	4,088	460	581	3,967
California-Nevada	1,743	134	291	1,586
Illinois	1,851	90	252	1,669
Kansas	1,646	79	207	1.518
Ohio	1,850	136	219	1,767
Iowa	1,203	42	131	1,114
Oklahoma	312	25	27	310
Kentucky	275	1	1	275
Nebraska	506	29	73	462
Massachusetts	700	35	68	667
Minnesota	1,717	119	193	1,643
New York	1,624	139	270	1,493
Indiana	1,601	84	232	1,453
Colorado-Wyoming	359	51	24	386
Michigan	669	83	94	658
Wisconsin	962	51	97	916
West Virginia	670	12	17	665
Washington-Alaska	541	41	104	478
Missouri	1,168	67	136	1,099
Oregon	305	74	46	333
Connecticut	116	3	13	106
Maine	669	11	58	620
Rhode Island	230	12	12	230
Vermont	196	8	31	173
Montana	425	14	35	404
Idaho	159	12	26	145
Florida	146	9	21	134
Utah	161	11	8	164
New Hampshire	159	.....	.....	.....
Potomac	180	12	11	181
	27,234	1,896	3,309	25,821

Circles Under National Jurisdiction

	1936	Gain	Lost	1937
August Willich	26	1	4	23
Charles Summers	12	.....	.....	12
General Stanley	45	.....	3	42
General Custer	13	.....	.....	13
Ranson Circle (No Report	.....	.....	.....	.....
	96	1	7	90

MARGARET H. WORRELL

National Patriotic Instructor

CASSEA H. ORSBORN

Editor of Bugle Call

Per Capita Tax Received from Departments

	1st Quar.	2nd Quar.	3rd Quar.	4th Quar.	Total
New Jersey	$ 36.92	$ 36.88	$ 36.36	$ 36.24	$146.40
Pennsylvania	160.52	161.08	158.68	158.68	539.20
California-Nevada	69.96	68.56	68.32	63.44	270.28
Illinois	72.48	70.40	68.40	67.56	278.84
Kansas	64.24	63.32	62.56	60.72	250.84
Ohio	72.64	71.64	70.84	70.68	285.80
Iowa	46.88	46.08	45.08	44.56	182.60
Oklahoma	12.16	12.08	12.44	12,40	49.08
Kentucky	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	44.00
Nebraska	19.76	19.04	19.04	18.48	76.32
Massachusetts	27.56	27.32	27.12	26.68	108.68
Minnesota	67.48	65.68	65.48	65.72	264.36
New York	60.68	60.72	59.84	59.72	240.56
Indiana	62.48	61.36	61.64	52.12	237.60
Colorado-Wyoming	15.36	15.52	15.84	15.44	62.16
Michigan	26.40	26.12	25.88	26.32	104.72
Wisconsin	38.40	38.12	37.32	36.64	150.48
West Virginia	26.88	27.00	26.60	26.60	107.08
Washington-Alaska	20.80	20.16	19.12	19.12	79.20
Missouri	46.12	45.88	44.04	43.96	180.00
Oregon	12.20	13.36	12.12	13.32	51.00
Connecticut	4.64	4.68	4.40	4.24	17.96
Maine	26.52	25.16	24.76	24.80	101.24
Rhode Island	9.28	9.44	9.24	9.20	37.16
Vermont	7.92	7.12	6.96	6.92	28.92
Montana	16.60	17.44	16.36	16.16	66.56
Idaho	6.16	6.00	5.84	5.80	23.80
Florida	5.48	5.56	5.60	5.36	22.00
Utah	6.28	6.52	6.52	6.56	25.88
New Hampshire	6.28	6.20	6.16	.....	18.64
Potomac	7.32	7.12	7.20	7.24	28.88

Circles Under National Jurisdiction

	1st Quar.	2nd Quar.	3rd Quar.	4th Quar.	Total
August Willich	2.60	2.60	2.20	2.30	9.70
Charles Summer	1.20	1.20	1.20	1.20	4.80
General Stanley	4.05	3.96	3.78	3.78	15.57
General Custer	1.30	Add. 1.30	1.30	.....	.....
	2.60	.....	.....	.....	6.50
					36.57

The following Circles have been Instituted during the year and to each one we extend greetings and good wishes:

IDAHO

E. A. Paddock Circle No. 22. Organized and Instituted by Department President Ollie M. Smith, assisted by Clara E. Burdell at Caldwell, Idaho, June 12th, 1937.

NEW YORK

Wm. D. C. Holmes, Circle No. 99. Organized and Instituted on October 8th, 1936 by Past Department President, Harriet W. Eaton, at Ozone, N. Y.

PENNSYLVANIA

Samuel B. Hanson, Circle No. 220. Organized by Past Departments of Philadelphia, Instituted by Department President, Anna E. Good.

Col. John I. Neven, Junior Circle No. 9. Organized by Marian E. Nicholas. Instituted on January 2nd, 1937 by Margaret M. Lindsay, Past Department President.

OHIO

Mother McKinley, Junior Circle No. 5. Organized by Department Junior Vice President, Clara Tice. Instituted on June 8th, 1937, with 18 Charter Members.

According to Quarterly Reports I have seven new Circles Instituted during the year, but only three recorded on my Report, if the Departments who Instituted new Circles will give me the data on them, I will be glad to add same to my report.

I would like to impress upon the minds of Department Presidents and Department Secretary's how very important it is that they get their Quarterly Reports and Tax for quarter ending June 30th to National Secretary at the time stated in last General Orders, when books will be closed, as it is very hard to give a correct report unless they do so.

By reason of one Department and Circle under National Jurisdiction to file report and pay tax, and the late arrival of some other Departments reports and tax, it will be impossible for me at this time to render a definite statement, but have given you a report of Departments and Circles which will be subject to revision before published in National Proceedings.

Have sent out four General Orders, Convention decisions, Department and Circle report blanks as follows: Inspectors, Patriotic Instructors, Chaplains, Election returns, Registrars blanks, Quarterly Report blanks for four quarters. Rosters have been compiled and sent to all National Officers, Past National Officers, Departments and Circles, and to all Allied Orders with whom we have exchanged all courtesies, and have sent out many extra blanks which were lost, mislaid or strayed by Department Secretarys.

All letters sent to my office have been promptly answered, I have endeavored to give information as far as was in my power to do, and have to the very best of my ability, fulfilled all obligations pertaining to the office of National Secretary.

I have enjoyed work with my large family of Secretaries, and wish to thank them for their kindness in forwarding me their Department General Orders, Rosters, cards and invitations to various affairs, also for the many kind and loving letters, which shall always be a sweet memory to me.

To Frances Martin Kuhns, National President, Sister and my Friend, I wish I had words to express to you my love and appreciation. Having known and loved you for so many years, my close association with you this past year has taught me, that yours is a love and friendship that never wavers, but is true, genuine and loyal. My pleasure will be to know, my work has met with your approval.

To the National Treasurer, Ethelyn P. Smith—our year of work together has been one of pleasure, may I express my deep appreciation to you for your prompt, courteous and efficient co-operation, I shall miss your ever cheerful letters, you have proven to be a true friend.

I wish to thank each and every Sister who has helped to make this year of service a happy one.

With my very best wishes for a happy and successful Convention, and pledge my support and co-operation to my successor, I am

Lovingly yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

MAY BISSEL SLATTERY,
National Secretary.

SUPPLIES IN SECRETARY'S TRUNK

54 Department quarterly report blanks.
150 Circle quarterly report blanks.
85 Department Credential blanks.
285 Circle Credential blanks.
20 Department Election blanks.
125 Circle Election blanks.
220 Department Chaplain report blanks.
95 Circle Chaplain report blanks.
225 Department Patriotic Instructors blanks.
145 Department Inspector blanks.
30 Circle Inspectors blanks.
95 Circle Patriotic Instructor blanks.
1 Package "Aims and Objects".
1 Official Seal.
Old Rosters (1937).
1 Copy of National Ritual for Installation Service.
7 Volumes of Bound Proceedings of National Conventions from 1888 to 1932.

On motion of Sister Maybelle S. Nissen, seconded by Sister Wynnye G. Williamson, the reading of the warrants in National Treasurer's report be omitted and printed in the Proceedings. Carried.

REPORT OF NATIONAL TREASURER

Omaha, Nebraska.
August 31, 1937.

To Frances M. Kuhns, National President,
Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first Annual National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

My dear Sisters:—

In accordance with our Rules and Regulations, I submit the following report of the financial condition of our Order.

Dept.	Supplies	Per Cap.	Memorial	Shrine	Quilt
California and Nevada	129.52	270.28	1.03	.....	18.50
Colorado and Wyoming	57.56	62.16	.....	.....	11.50
Connecticut	4.54	17.96	.....	.....	.....
Florida	13.81	22.00	.....	.....	16.50
Idaho	32.74	23.80	.....	.....	1.00
Illinois	102.34	278.84	.....	.....	52.50
Indiana	140.35	237.60	.....	.....	30.00
Iowa	72.40	182.60	.....	8.50	34.75
Kansas	112.60	250.84	.....	1.00	10.75
Kentucky	3.84	44.00	.....	.....	.....
Maine	24.39	101.24	.....	.....	7.50
Massachusetts	32.45	82.00	.....	.....	.....
Michigan	64.94	104.72	.....	.....	13.50
Missouri	69.88	180.00	.....	10.00	39.05
Montana	44.69	66.56	.....	.....	14.15
Minnesota	103.67	264.36	.....	13.21	20.50
Nebraska	70.89	76.32	.....	.....	18.50
New Hampshire	2.50	18.64	.....	.....	8.70
New Jersey	79.74	146.40	15.00	6.00	43.00
New York	142.52	240.56	15.00	10.00	18.25
Ohio	138.62	285.80	10.00	20.00	20.00
Oklahoma	30.30	49.08	.....	.....	7.00
Oregon	37.19	51.00	.....	.....	.....
Pennsylvania	292.68	639.20	24.70	10.00	55.50

Department of Potomac	24.63	28.88	.....	.....	10.00
Rhode Island	20.02	37.16	.....	.....	16.00
Utah	6.54	25.88	.....	.....	11.60
Vermont	19.09	28.92	.....	.....	9.05
Washington and Alaska	63.57	79.20	1.00	.....	.....
West Virginia	38.95	107.08	3.50	1.00	7.50
Wisconsin	103.50	150.48	2.84	18.50	2.00
Tickets not listed in Depts.	.....	.....	.....	.....	31.00
	2,080.46	4,153.56	83.07	88.21	528.30

Circles Under National Jurisdiction

General Custer Circle No. 6	.....	6.50	.....	.....	.....
General D. S. Stanley Circle	3.55	15.57	.....	.....	2.00
Chas. Sumner Circle	.....	4.80	.....	.....	.....
August Willick Circle No. 1	.....	9.70	.....	.....	.....

WARRANTS

NOVEMBER

No.				
1.	May B. Slattery	Express on Trunk	$ 5.09	
2.	Frances M. Kuhns	Traveling Expense	150.00	
3.	Frances M. Kuhns	Oct. Office Expense	10.25	
4.	Cassea Orsborn	Oct. Office Expense	8.33	
5.	Cassea Orsborn	Sept. Salary	4.68	
6.	Ethelyn Smith	Sept. Salary	4.68	
7.	Ethelyn Smith	Sept.-Oct. Office Expense	16.38	
8.	Ethelyn Smith	Express on Flag Box	2.98	
9.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Gold Pins	5.60	
10.	Hopson Printing Co.	Labels, Applications, etc.	50.75	
11.	Ethelyn Smith	Express on Badges	2.16	
12.	May Slattery	Sept.-Oct. Office Expense	29.18	
13.	May Slattery	Sept. Salary	4.68	
14.	Weiser Signal	Letterheads & Envelopes Bugle Call	17.76	
15.	Emma Hayward	Newspaper Mats	1.50	
16.	Cassea Orsborn	October Salary	35.00	
17.	Ethelyn Smith	October Salary	35.00	
18.	May Slattery	October Salary	35.00	
19.	Theo. Redfern	Postage	2.43	
20.	Miller Transfer	Freight on Treasurer's Supplies	33.19	
21.	Clara Sawyer	Postage for Shrine	10.00	
22.	Omaha Printing Co.	Two Record Books	6.00	
23.	E. E. See Co.	Memorial Flags	17.50	
24.	Wm. C. Elliott	General Orders	85.00	
25.	Hopson Printing Co.	Code Cards	2.50	
26.	Asher & Johnston	Insurance on Treas. Stock 3 years	19.00	
		Tax on Checks and Imprinting	3.81	$ 598.44

DECEMBER

27.	South Williamsport Press	Quilt Books	$ 16.75	
28.	Frances Kuhns	Nov. Office Expense	12.55	
29.	Ethelyn Smith	Nov. Office Expense	21.74	
30.	May Slattery	Nov. Office Expense	25.35	
31.	Cassea Orsborn	Nov. Salary	35.00	
32.	Ethelyn Smith	Nov. Salary	35.00	
33.	May S. Slattery	Nov. Salary	35.00	
34.	Ethelyn Smith	Telegrams	1.20	
35.	Chas. A. Winshop Co.	Pioneer Pins	11.00	
36.	Wm. C. Elliott	Stationery, Letterheads, Envelopes	40.55	
37.	American Surety	Officers Bonds	17.50	
38.	Lillian C. Cary	Office Expense	5.00	
39.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Gold Pins	18.90	
40.	Women's Patriotic Conference	Dues	50.00	
41.	Hopson Printing Co.	Visiting Cards	8.50	
42.	Jos. K. Davisons & Sons	Bronze Badges	50.00	
43.	Wm. C. Elliott	Printing Blanks	46.50	
44.	Weiser Signal	Printing Oct.-Nov. Bugle Call	94.00	
45.	Weiser American	Printing Post Cards	3.50	
46.	Cassea Orsborn	Nov. Office Expense	7.00	
47.	Jos. K. Davisons Sons	Bronze Pendants	22.75	
		Bank Charges on Checks	1.20	$ 558.99

JANUARY

No.				
48.	Wm. C. Elliott	Letterheads, Envelopes, etc.	$ 73.60	
49.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Gold Pins	13.50	
50.	Frances M. Kuhns	Express	12.31	
51.	Jos. K. Davisons Sons	Bronze Badges	100.00	
52.	Frances M. Kuhns	Dec. Office Expense	8.25	
53.	Cassea Orsborn	Dec. Salary	35.00	
54.	Ethelyn Smith	Dec. Office Expense	22.10	
55.	Ethelyn Smith	Dec. Salary	35.00	
56.	May Slattery	Dec. Salary	35.00	
57.	May Slattery	Dec. Expense	17.85	
58.	Wm. C. Elliott	Quarterly Reports	32.50	
59.	Cassea Orsborn	Dec. Office Expense	10.00	
60.	Jos. K. Davisons Sons	Bronze Badges	33.71	
61.	Frances Kuhns	Traeling Expense	200.00	
		Bank Charges	1.32	$ 630.14

FEBRUARY

62.	Ethelyn Smith	Jan. Office Expense	$ 20.05	
63.	Cassea Orsborn	Jan. Office Expense	6.75	
64.	May Slattery	Jan. Office Expense	12.50	
65.	Clara B. Sawyer	Postage Shrine	20.00	
66.	Cassea Orsborn	Jan. Salary	35.00	
67.	Ethelyn Smith	Jan. Salary	35.00	
68.	May Slattery	Jan. Salary	35.00	
69.	Weiser Signal	Dec. Bugle Call	61.50	
70.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Gold Bars	6.00	
71.	Jos. K. Davisons	Bronze Pendants	12.52	
72.	Wm. C. Elliott	Blanks	36.75	
73.	Frances Kuhns	Office Expense	10.50	
74.	May Slattery	Express on General Orders	12.95	
75.	Frances Kuhns	Traveling Expense	300.00	
76.	Weiser Signal	Printing Jan. Bugle Call	60.00	
77.	Weiser American	Printing Cards Delinq. and Sec'y.	21.50	
78.	Cassea Orsborn	Jan. Office Expense	7.85	
		Bank Charges	.93	$ 694.80

MARCH

79.	R. B. Jones & Sons	Edwina Trigg Bond	$ 5.00	
80.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Gold Pins	74.00	
81.	Wm. C. Elliott	Ode Cards	20.00	
82.	Hopson Printing Co.	Warrant Books	70.00	
83.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Gold Stars	77.10	
84.	May Slattery	Express on Rosters	14.50	
85.	South Williamsport Press	Quilt Books	8.50	
86.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Engraving Pins	.75	
87.	Wm. C. Elliott	General Order No. 2	52.00	
88.	Ethelyn Smith	February Salary	35.00	
89.	Cassea Orsborn	February Salary	35.00	
90.	May Slattery	February Salary	35.00	
91.	Capitol Social Eng.	National Shrine Letterheads & Env.	26.94	
92.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Pioneer Pins	1.00	
93.	May Slattery	February Office Expense	10.50	
94.	Margaret Worrell	Wreath Flags, etc.	5.00	
95.	Hopson Printing Co.	Badge Electrotypes	32.50	
96.	Wm. C. Elliott	Honorable Discharge Cards	5.50	
97.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Gold Past President Pins	22.00	
		Bank Charges	1.17	$ 531.46

APRIL

98.	Ethelyn Smith	February Office Expense	$ 15.21	
99.	Lillian C. Cary	Postage Junior Supervisor	5.00	
100.	Clara Sawyer	Postage Shrine	20.00	
101.	Wm. C. Elliott	Blanks and Envelopes	11.00	
102.	Frances Kuhns	Office Expense	19.60	
103.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Gold Pins	197.75	
104.	Cassea Orsborn	February Expense	6.65	
105.	Weiser Signal	February Bugle Call	60.00	
106.	Ethelyn Smith	March Office Expense	13.82	
107.	Frances M. Kuhns	Traveling Expense	100.00	
108.	Weiser Signal	March Bugle Call	60.00	
109.	Frances Kuhns	Office Expense	15.75	
110.	Ethelyn Smith	March Salary	35.00	
111.	Cassea Orsborn	March Expense	8.50	
112.	Cassea Orsborn	March Salary	35.00	
113.	May Slattery	March Office Expense	10.20	
114.	May Slattery	March Salary	35.00	
115.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	Gold Pins	49.00	
116.	Wm. C. Elliott	Rosters	155.00	
		Bank Charges	1.32	$ 853.70

MAY

No.				
117.	Frances M. Kuhns	Traveling Expense	$100.00	
118.	Wm. Elliott	General Orders	55.00	
119.	Frances Kuhns	April Office Expense	12.60	
120.	Ethelyn Smith	April Salary	35.00	
121.	Ethelyn Smith	April Expense	15.69	
122.	May Slattery	April Office Expense	17.94	
123.	May Slattery	April Salary	35.00	
124.	Cassea Orsborn	April Salary	35.00	
		Bank Charges	1.47	$ 307.70

JUNE

125.	Frances Kuhns	Traveling Expense	$100.00	
126.	Ethelyn Smith	May Salary	35.00	
127.	May B. Slattery	May Salary	35.00	
128.	Chas. A. Winship Co.	2 Dept. Pres. Jewels	27.75	
129.	Jos. K. Davison's Son	Pendants and Ribbon	15.12	
130.	Cassea Orsborn	May Salary	35.00	
131.	Wm. C. Elliott	Stationery and Labels	11.25	
132.	Eslen Printing Co.	1,000 Rituals	225.00	
133.	May Slattery	May Expense	13.69	
134.	Weiser Signal	April Bugle Call	60.00	
135.	Cassea Orsborn	April Expense	7.75	
136.	Miss R. B. Maxwell	Spray, Adj. General Little	10.00	
137.	Weiser Signal	May Bugle Call	60.00	
138.	Cassea Orsborn	May Office Expense	11.55	
139.	Frances M. Kuhns	Traveling Expense	100.00	
		Bank Charges	1.17	$ 748.28

JULY

140.	Frances Kuhns	June Office Expense	$ 14.10	
141.	Cassea Orsborn	June Salary	35.00	
142.	Ethelyn Smith	June Salary	35.00	
143.	Ethelyn Smith	June Office Expense	14.27	
144.	May B. Slattery	June Salary	35.00	
145.	May B. Slattery	June Office Expense	16.50	
146.	Alma Speckner	Convention Chairman Expense	50.00	
147.	E. E. See Co.	Memorial Flags	17.50	
148.	J. K. Davisons Sons	Officers Bronze Badges	3.77	
149.	Ethelyn Smith	May Office Expense	19.96	
150.	Theo. Redfern	National Register Expense	4.23	
151.	Bratton Printing Co.	National Inspectors Letters	8.67	
152.	Effie Thrasher	Postage	5.00	
		Bank Charges	.75	$ 259.75

AUGUST

153.	Weiser Signal	June Bugle Call	$ 60.00	
154.	Weiser Signal	July Bugle Call	60.00	
155.	Raeyling & Carline	Floral Spray, Col. S. P. Towne	10.00	
156.	Effie Thrasher	Postage	15.00	
157.	Ethelyn Smith	July Salary	35.00	
158.	Ethelyn Smith	July Office Expense	10.52	
159.	Frances Kuhns	July Office Expense	20.25	
160.	May Slattery	July Salary	35.00	
161.	May Slattery	July Office Expense	23.35	
162.	Wm. C. Elliott	General Orders Quarterly Reports	37.25	
163.	Jos. K. Davison's Sons	Pendants	1.98	
164.	Cassea Orsborn	July Salary	35.00	
165.	W. P. Kuhn	Flag	20.00	
166.	Wunderly Bros.	Lincoln Portrait	34.00	
167.	Cassea Orsborn	August Salary	35.00	
168.	Ethelyn Smith	August Salary	35.00	
169.	May Slattery	August Salary	35.00	
170.	Frank G. Huston	Federation Dues	10.00	
171.	North West Printing Co.	Pearl Cooke's Proceedings	800.00	
172.	Frances Kuhns	Expense	16.20	
173.	Cassea Orsborn	Cut	3.75	
174.	Ethelyn Smith	August Expense	12.26	
175.	May Slattery	August Expense	15.50	
176.	Cassea Orsborn	June and July Expense	16.25	
177.	Wm. C. Elliott	Reg. Blanks Banquet Tickets	11.25	
		Bank Charges	2.01	$1,389.57

RECAPITULATION

RECEIPTS

October 28, 1936—Turned over by Maybelle Nissen		$ 500.00	
January 16, 1937—Turned over by Maybelle Nissen		604.11	
May, 1937—Turned over by Maybelle Nissen		68.05	
August, 1937—Turned over by Maybelle Nissen		.70	$1,172.86
Received from Per Capita	$4,190.13		
Received from Sale of Supplies	2,084.01		
Received from Bugle Call	740.50		
Received from Quilt Books	530.30		
Miscellaneous	28.98		
Memorial Fund	83.07		
			$7,656.99
			$8,829.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Warrants—1 to 177	$6,557.62	
Bank Tax	12.21	
Miscellaneous Check Exchange	21.40	$6,591.23
Balance on Hand Subject to Convention Expense		$2,238.62

NATIONAL SHRINE FUND

Balance Turned Over		$3,623.39
Receipts	$ 88.21	
Interest	1.66	89.87
Balance in National Shrine Account		$3,713.26

ADDENDUM RECEIPTS

Balance Subject to Convention Expense		$2,238.62

RECEIPTS

Registration	$ 264.00	
Quilt Books	222.95	
Supplies	9.45	
Memorial Fund	2.00	
Refund Memorial Shrine Expense	61.94	
Bugle Call	128.25	
Margaret Worrell Refund Expense	8.95	
Per Capita	31.06	
Certificate Wynnye Williamson	.50	
Janitor's Collection	14.72	743.82
Total Receipts		$2,982.44
Addendum Warrants No. 179 to 237		$2,667.34
Balance turned over to new administration		$ 315.10

NATIONAL MEMORIAL SHRINE FUND

Balance	$3,713.26
Received at Convention	92.70
	$3,805.96
Postage and Expense	$ 61.94
Balance turned over to new administration	$3,744.02
Donation to Julia Ward Howe Memorial paid at Convention	$ 65.00

ADDENDUM EXPENSES

WARRANTS

No.		
179.	Lida Manson, Past National President Meals	$ 12.00
180.	Void	
181.	Lillian Wall, Flags and Ribbon	29.60
182.	Theo. Redfern, Registrar, Carfare and Expense	79.10
183.	Mamie Giroux, National Chaplain Carfare and Expense	25.50
184.	Marie Harkins, Soloist	15.00
185.	Lillie Anison, Pianist	15.00
186.	Margaret Worrell, National Patriotic Instructor, Expense	60.80
187.	Sarah J. Ehrman, P.N.P. Meals	15.00
188.	Cassea H. Orsborn, Editor Bugle Call, Expense	101.27
189.	Catherine Schroeder, National Junior Vice, Meals	15.00
190.	Weiser Signal, Printing Bugle Call, August	60.00
191.	Anna Michener, P.N.P., Meals	15.00

No.			
192.	Clara Sawyer, P.N.P. Meals	15.00	
193.	Martha Van Duzor, P.N.P. Meals	15.00	
194.	Effie Thrasher, National Inspector Expense	35.00	
195.	Pearl C. Cooke, P.N.P. Meals	15.00	
196.	Lilliam C. Cary, Junior Supervisor Meals	15.00	
197.	Helen Lehman, P.N.P. Meals	15.00	
198.	Alma Spreckner for Rentschler Floral Co.	10.00	
199.	Ethel Irish, P.N.P. Meals	15.00	
200.	Orpha Whitaker, Senior Vice President Meals	15.00	
201.	Emily Thompkins, P.N.P. Meals	15.00	
202.	Catherine DeLacy Roche, P.N.P. Meals	15.00	
203.	Josephine Mahar, P.N.P. Meals	15.00	
204.	Sade Mae Williams, C. of A. Expense	34.18	
205.	Maybelle S. Nissen, Assistant Secretary	25.00	
206.	May Slattery, Compiling Proceedings	25.00	
207.	Martha Van Duzor, Taxi for Comrades	2.15	
208.	Wynnye Williamson, Counselor Railroad Fare and Meals	64.66	
209.	Gladys Newton, Ch. of C. of A. Railroad Fare and Meals	64.83	
210.	Pearl Cooke, Express on Proceedings	82.72	
211.	Frances M. Haskell, C. of A. Expense	45.00	
212.	Stefen Mittler, Memorial Bench	100.00	
213.	Frances Kuhns, Spray for Comrade Jeffers	3.00	
214.	Cassea Orsborn, P.N.P. Meals	15.00	
215.	Cassea Orsborn, Editor Bugle Call, August Expense	18.94	
216.	Ethelyn Smith, National Treasurer Railroad Fare and Expense	45.00	
217.	Frances M. Kuhns, National President Railroad Fare and Meals	55.00	
218.	May B. Slattery, National Secretary Railroad Fare and Expense	55.00	
219.	May B. Slattery, National Secretary, September Salary	12.87	
220.	Ethelyn Smith, National Treasurer, September Salary	12.87	
221.	Cassea Orsborn, Editor Bugle Call Salary	12.87	
222.	Chas. A. Winship Co., National President Jewel	35.00	
223.	Ethelyn Smith, Express on Supplies	4.63	
224.	May Slattery, Express on Trunk and September Expense	16.51	
225.	E. E. See Co., Pennants	4.15	
226.	Frances Kuhns, September Office Expense	10.50	
227.	Frances Kuhns, Express on Flags and Lincoln Picture	4.55	
228.	Frances Kuhns, Taxis for Committees	5.85	
229.	Park Hotel, Rooms	463.08	
230.	J. K. Davison's, Badges	100.00	
231.	Scholl Bros., Wynnye Williamson Proceedings	535.00	
232.	Wynnye Williamson, Express on Proceedings	67.71	
233.	Park Hotel, Room	15.00	
234.	Void		
235.	Weiser Signal, September Bugle Call	60.00	
236.	Margaret Worrell, Legislative Chairman Expense	18.00	
237.	Janitor's Collection	15.00	$2,667.34

To the National Body, who honored the Department of Nebraska and made me very proud and happy by giving into my keeping the high office of National Treasurer, I bring my sincere thanks for the privilege of serving you and trust that my work has been done in a satisfactory manner.

To my dear National President, Frances M. Kuhns, there are no words to express my thanks for your kindness, your cheerful manner under all conditions, your ready smile, your handclasp so warm, so sincere, ever thoughtful of others. You have left good cheer in the a word of blame has made the year's work one of joy and I shall hearts of all you have met. Your generous words of praise and never ever cherish this year and your friendship in my heart.

To my wonderful, co-worker, May Slattery, National Secretary, our year together has been a very happy one. You have always been so kind and considerate, prompt and ever ready to help in any way. And the friendship we have started here will be one of the happiest in my book of memories and I hope we will be given many years to work together for our beloved Order.

To Cassea Orsborn, Editor of the Bugle Call, I thank you for your words of council, and the rich friendship you have extended to me.

To the Past National Presidents and the entire National Family, I thank you for your many kindnesses, your helpful words of encouragement. It has been a pleasure to have belonged to this Family.

GLADYS WETHY NEWTON

Chairman National Council of Administration

FRANCES M. HASKELL
Member National Council of Administration

SADIE MAE WILLIAMS
Member National Council of Administration

To the Department Presidents and Secretaries who have sent me Proceedings, General Orders, and Rosters I thank you. They have been a help and inspiration to me.

To the Department Treasurers, I thank you for your prompt and ready cooperation and have enjoyed the contacts with our splendid Sisters and hope that the Friendships made will grow and grow with the years.

Sincerely yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

ETHELYN P. SMITH,
National Treasurer.

REPORT OF NATIONAL CHAPLAIN

Chicago, Illinois.
September 5th, 1937.

To Frances M. Kuhns, National President, and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,
Madison Wisconsin.

Dear Sisters:—

It was an honor to be elected to this office of National Chaplain, one of which I highly appreciated and esteem it a sacred responsibility and have tried to uphold the dignity of my office.

My National President has shown me every consideration and kindness, and I feel it a privilege to have been a member of her official family.

It was my pleasure to attend services given in honor of Grand Army Day on the 6th day of April by Eugene R. Matteson Circle No. 72 in Joliet, Ill. Reverend Arthur W. Hoffman took charge of the very impressive service. My suggestion would be that all Circles follow this custom of the Illinois Circle, in memory of our dear Comrades.

I was a guest at the Presidents Association banquet and reception given in honor of our National President and Department President, in the Hotel Sherman in February. Represented our National President, Sister Kuhns at the Illinois Department Convention held in Decatur, Ill. in May, 1937.

A delightful luncheon was tendered me by my own Circle Members Geo. W. Ackerman No. 116. on July 8th, in Mandel's Tea Room, many of my true friends attended to greet me on this happy day for this expression of loyalty I am reminded of the verse,

The silver lining to each cloud,
A cheerful friend God send to me,
Such a friend to find
Such a friend to be.

Was a guest of honor in Dixon Circle No. 72, a very happy day was spent witih these sisters, all helping to make this day one of the bright spots in my life. Have sent letters of condolence to those who have lost dear ones, trying to be of comfort to them.

Forget-me-not what sweeter words
Could friend or loved one say,
Remember me, tho' other thoughts
May claim thee thro' the day.

Forget-me-not, at early morn
Before the altar fair,
Remember me at even tide
When thou are bowed in prayer.

Forget-me-not when thou art crowned
Thy Jesus happy bride,
Remember me till I, too stand
Triumphant at His side.

The honor as your National Chaplain, I submit the following report of the various Circles in these United States.

28 Departments have sent in their reports, and one Circle under National jurisdiction.

Number of Circles in Department	173
Number of Circles in Department sent Committee to Posts	159
Number of Circles strew flowers on water	117
Number of Circles attended services on Memorial Sabbath	3,811
Number of Members attended Memorial services in Circle room	2,995
Number of Sisters passed away during the year	666
To Date	851
Number of Honorary Members passed away during the year	259
To Date	799
Number of graves of Sisters visited and decorated	7,202
Number of Honorary Members graves decorated	4,040
Amount of money expended for flowers	$ 671.12
Amount donated	$ 594.05
Number of cut flowers	$ 440.00
Number of plants	$ 219.00
Number of Emblems	$ 192.00
Total number of decorations used in Department	1,604
Refreshments provided for 5 trucks of Boy Scouts and 20 Posts and their friends	
Number of children who took part on Memorial Day	41,604
Number of flags used on Memorial Day	91,836
Mounds erected in memory of Unknown Dead	12

This report is not accurate owing to incomplete answers.

With some reports I received descriptive accounts of their Memorial Day work and I take this opportunity to thank the Sisters.

I wish to thank the Chaplains for their prompt cooperation. All reports showed Loyalty and devotion in their Memorial Day work.

Our National President asked for short and concise reports, therefore, I will not go into detail concerning outside work accomplished, but will assure you that at all times I have been mindful of the office, and that I was representing this National Body.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

MAMIE GIROUX,
National Chaplain.

REPORT OF NATIONAL PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR

Washington, D. C.
September 5, 1937.

To the National President, Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Sisters:—

Words are inadequate to express my appreciation of the honor bestowed upon me in my election to serve as your National Patriotic Instructor.

Great plans for the year's work were contemplated, but, unfortunately, the condition of our treasury would not permit necessary expenditures, and I was unable to carry out what had been hoped for. However, with the splendiid co-operation of our Sisters and the encouragement given by our National President, much has been accomplished.

I have had many calls for patriotic literature and have supplied as much as it was possible to obtain.

If any of the Patriotic Instructors have not heard from me it was because I did not have their names and addresses, and may I suggest that hereafter all Patriotic Instructors, immediately upon taking office, send their names and addresses to the National Patriotic Instructor.

We have many more patriotic exercises to attend in Washington than you have in your respective States. In addition to the anniversary Birthdays of Lincoln, Washington and McKinley, Appomottox Day, Flag Day and Memorial Day, we take part in the patriotic exercises of National Defense Council; Massing of the Colors at Mount St. Albans National Cathedral; the General U. S. Grant Memorial in Union Square on April 27th, when a wreath is placed; Navy Day, when flowers are strewn on the waters of the Potomac in memory of the Navy dead; special exercises on Mothers' Day by Gold Star Mothers in Arlington National Cemetery, where a wreath is placed on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of the World War; Army Day, when we take part in the Parade and place a wreath on the Stephenson Monument; annual exercises by Grant and Lincoln Circles in the Rotunda of the Capitol, where wreaths are placed on the statues of Lincoln and Grant and on July 11th we conduct special patriotic exercises and place a wreath on the Monument at old Fort Stevens, where our soldiers stood to defend the Capitol and where our beloved Lincoln was under fire, all of which exercises I was happy to attend. I also placed a large wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of the World War on Memorial Day, in the name of our National President, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and a wreath on the Maine Memorial in Arlington.

Probably my most outstanding work was the collection of eighteen truck loads of natural flowers contributed by the pupils of our 178 public schools for the decoration of the 45,000 soldiers' graves in Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day. Approximately 80,000 children took part in this patriotic work. Boy Scout Troops and Sisters of our Department assisted.

I sent out 3,500 patriotic addresses and as many American Creed and Pledge cards as I could possibly obtain.

All reports have been carefully tabulated, but so much of the data is so inaccurate that I feel it is not of nearly the value which

the time devoted to it should warrant. The following is an outline of the work of the Departments:

NEW JERSEY

Department Patriotic Instructor, Sister Emma L. Hayes, reports one large silk flag and 10 large wool bunting flags donated to schools and public buildings; 435 children took part in the celebration of our national holidays, and $86.50 was expended for patriotic work during the year. On Memorial Day 214 large flags and 288 small flags were placed on graves, also 310 plants and 31 bouquets of flowers.

PENNSYLVANIA

Sister Margarette M. Ruch, reports 15 flags donated to schools and public buildings; 3,500 children assisted in the celebration of national holidays; 126 schools were visited; one prize given for patriotic essay; 11 oleographs and two portraits of Lincoln, given by two Circles, to public schools—one of which was life size and presented to the City of New York public schools. Sister Ruch had 1,000 cards printed with the Pledge to the Flag and American Creed which she sent to Circles. She also gave out at the Convention 400 Flag Rules.

CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Sister Nellie E. Borman, reports 150 schools visited; 8,000 children took part in the observance of our national holidays; 33 flags were donated to schools and public buildings; two prizes given for patriotic essays; 14 olegraphs and three portraits of Lincoln donated to schools and public buildings; 219 leaflets were distributed and $117.17 expended for patriotic work. Members from eight Circles meet each year to observe "Admission Day" enjoying a basket picnic preceding the program. Sister Minnie Seitz took part in a Pageant on July 4th and went out to the Cruiser Milwaukee and tossed flowers in memory of those who perished at sea.

ILLINOIS

Sister Frederike Molter, Past Department President, reports 84 schools visited; 1,560 children assisting in the celebration of national holidays; 75 flags presented to public schools; three flags were presented to Boy Scout Troops and Church; one Circle (not named) gave 100 small flags for use at patriotic dinners and one other Circle placed 1,687 flags on graves at Camp Butler; one prize given for patriotic essay; 251 leaflets distributed and $456.50 expended for patriotic work.

OHIO

Sister Gwendolen M. Hinkle, reports 48 schools visited; 1,267 children assisting in celebration of national holidays; 520 flags donated to public schools and buildings; 12 prizes for patriotic essays; 169 oleographs donated and 410 leaflets distributed. Circle 32 adopted a cottage at O. I. and S. O. Home at Xenia and $710.18 was expended for patriotic work. Sister Hinkle personally made seventeen trips out of town and visited 6 schools; presented 8 flags; gave the Home at Zenia $10.00; distributed 295 pieces of literature; gave 166 magazines to the Military Home at Dayton and spent $66.74 for patriotic work.

IOWA

Sister Louise E. Shupe, reports 16 schools visited; 569 children took part in the celebration of national holidays; 20 flags and one portrait of Lincoln and $3,619.45 expended for patriotic work.

OKLAHOMA

Sister Hazel McKee, reports 20 schools visited; 3 flags donated to schools; 300 children assisted in the celebration of national holidays; 50 leaflets distributed and $27.00 expended for patriotic work.

KENTUCKY

Sister Lucy Winston, reports 9 city and 3 rural schools visited; 22 flags silk, cotton and wool, 36x54 and 24x40 presented to schools and public buildings; 1,100 children assisted in celebrating our national holidays; 5 prizes for patriotic work.

NEBRASKA

Sister Bessie L. Coffey, reports three city and one rural school visited; one silk flag, 5x7 feet donated to a school; children took part in celebration of our national holidays but number not given; one portrait of Lincoln donated to a school; 75 leaflets distributed and $7.80 expended for patriotic work. As a personal gift to the Nemaha Cemetery, where her father, Francis A. Hacker, is buried, Sister Coffey gave 32 new flags to replace old flags. This was in memory of her father.

MASSACHUSETTS

Sister Harriet B. Amsden, reports 38 city schools and two rural schools visited; four flags donated to public schools; 33 children took part in celebrating national holidays and many on Memorial Day; Circle No. 30, of Worcester, presented 592 flags 4x6 inches to the graduates of the Americanization Class of the schools on April 2, 1937 and Circle No. 29, of Fitchburg, donated 48 flags for graves of members and 24 for services in the Hall; three Circles held special services for Navy dead on the water.

MINNESOTA

Sister Alice Thom, reports 40 schools visited; six large flags, staff and standards donated to schools, Boy Scout Troops and public buildings; one large flag, staff and standard to Veterans' Hall in St. Paul Auditorium and 352 flags and 118 wreaths placed on graves on Memorial Day.

NEW YORK

Sister Mary A. Schmeltz, Department Secretary, reports for Sister Lucy B. Raynor, who was ill, that 275 city schools and 35 rural schools were visited; 50 flags, 50 oleographs and 52 portraits of Lincoln donated to public schools; 25 prizes given for patriotic essays; all schools assist in celebrating national holidays, but number not given; 4,253 patriotic leaflets distributed and $200.00 expended for patriotic work. Sister Schmeltz has had charge of the Patriotic Program of the State Fair held at Syracuse, for several years and will have charge again this year.

INDIANA

Sister Myrtle Swartz, reports 36 schools visited; 26 flags donated to schools and public buildings; 35 children took part in celebrating national holidays and many on Memorial Day.

COLORADO-WYOMING

Sister Lula M. Wilson, reports 12 city schools and two rural schools visited! four flags, 6x9, 4x6 and 3x5 feet donated to schools; 11 Boy Scouts and Bugle Corps took part in celebration of national holidays; Denver Circle No. 1 contributed $5.00 for oleographs and $28.00 was expended for patriotic work.

MICHIGAN

Sister Mabel Bantle, reports 52 schools visited; 60 patriotic songs and 228 leaflets distributed; one 4x8 silk flag to Hotel, one 3x5 silk flag to Church, one large wool flag and 299 small flags presented to the County Home; five prizes for patriotic essays; four oleographs and two portraits of Lincoln presented to schools; 901 children took part in celebrating national holidays and $93.50 was expended for patriotic work.

WEST VIRGINIA

Sister Hattie Martin, Department Secretary, reporting for Sister Golda Spragg, states that 10 schools were visited! 50 oleographs and six flags donated to public schools and buildings and one portrait of Lincoln presented to the American Legion; $20.00 estimated expended for patriotic work.

WASHINGTON-ALASKA

Sister Lila Swartout, reports 73 city schools and one rural school visited; nine flags (one wool and one silk) donated to schools and public buildings; 10 oleographs and eight portraits of Lincoln presented to schools; 420 patriotic leaflets distributed; 175 children assisted in celebrating national holidays and $15.00 was expended for patriotic work. Sister May Masecar, in a radio address paid tribute to the Grand Army of the Republic.

MISSOURI

Sister Ruth Hibler, reports 46 city schools and 26 rural schools visited; 87 flags and six portraits of Lincoln presented to schools; one 2x5 silk and some wool bunting flags larger; one prize for patriotic essay; 6,000 patriotic leaflets distributed; 415 children assisted in celebrating national holidays. One Circle Patriotic Instructor visited a Mexican school and led Pledge to the Flag. Three Circles (not named) gave standards with flags; Circle No. 31 gave the prize for patriotic essay and Circle No. 62 is a member of the Women's Patriotic Council of St. Louis. Many Circles decorate graves of Comrades and Sisters and furnish flags for that purpose. The Department presented the Girl Scouts of Springfield, Missouri with a flag 4x6 feet. Sister Hibler states that she has visited 13 meetings of Circles.

OREGON

Sister Marie Hayes, reports eight city schools and two rural schools visited; five flags to schools and Boy Scouts (two wool and three silk) one to Boy Scouts 4x6 feet and one portrait of Lincoln to school; 242 patriotic leaflets distributed and $27.75 expended for patriotic work.

CONNECTICUT

Sister Anna Vincent, reports three city schools and one rural school visited; and about 200 children took part in celebrating our national holidays.

MAINE

Sister Berniece L. Jackson, reports 35 schools visited; three flags donated to schools and public buildings; 163 patriotic leaflets distributed; 1,450 children took part in celebrating our national holidays and $18.40 was expended for patriotic work. A beautiful flag program was held in Portland on June 17, 1937.

RHODE ISLAND

Sister Roberta J. Dunbar, reports four schools visited; and 20 flags presented to schools and public buildings. A Whist Party and Candy Sale was given at which they cleared $13.07 for patriotic work.

VERMONT

Sister Lena D. Ravey, reports 13 schools visited; 42 flags donated to schools; Circle No. 6 gave 7x9 cotton and 6x8 wool flags; 114 plus all school children assisted in celebrating our national holidays and $20.00 estimated expended for patriotic work.

MONTANA

Sister Mae Ladiges, reports 50 city schools and 10 rural schools visited; one flag 3x5 donated to public building; 500 patriotic leaflets distributed; one prize given for patriotic essay; one portrait of Lincoln and one of Roosevelt donated to schools; 5,610 children took part in celebrating national Holidays and $23.20 was expended for patriotic work. In many places Circles are invited to schools for patriotic exercises.

IDAHO

Sister Essie Bybee, reports three schools visited; 44 patriotic leaflets distributed and 138 children took part in celebrating our national holidays. Estimated $15.00 expended for patriotic work.

FLORIDA

Sister Marion P. Crocker, Assistant Patriotic Instructor, reports the distribution of patriotic literature and 25 memorandum books containing the American's Creed, also the presentation of several new flags to sister organizations in need of them and every eight weeks gave refreshments to the veterans of their Post at their Post meeting.

UTAH

Sister Ada R. Gelb, reports 26 city schools and 16 rural schools visited; 33 flags donated to schools of which 30 were cotton 12x15 inches and two were silk (one donated by Sister Mary Taylor 5x8 feet) also two portraits of Lincoln presented to schools. Estimated $10.00 expended for patriotic work. Sister Minerva Miller, Past Department President, presented a large wool banner to the Seymour B. Young Circle No. 1, and presented Comrade Brookbank with a hat, plant and birthday cake on his 91st birthday. Sister Ada R. Gelb, Department Patriotic Instructor, placed a headstone, grave marker and flag on the grave of Comrade John Hodgson Skelton at Toocle City, Utah. Sister Miriam Derr, Circle Musician, awarded a Pipe Organ scholarship to Miss Ilene Hartnett and a Piano Scholarship to Miss Willora Kerr.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Sister Persis J. Dickerman, reports 14 city schools and three rural schools visited; Circles observe all patriotic holidays but no children take part.

POTOMAC

Sister Bertha I. Cross, reports two schools visited; two silk flags presented to Boy Scout Troops and one to Girl Scout Troop also a banner to the Junior Circle; 48 children took part in celebration of national holidays; 25 Juniors and 300 Boy Scouts at Arlington on Memorial Day; approximately 95,000 school children contributed

flowers for the decoration of the graves on Memorial Day, and $272.40 expended for patriotic work. Members of the five Circles composing the Department took part as follows: Women's National Defense Council; Navy Day; McKinley Birthday exercises; February 12, placed wreath on Lincoln Memorial and Massing of the Colors in the evening; February 22, placed wreath at Washington Monument; April 6, Army Day placed wreath on General Stephenson Monument—had six automobiles and 25 Juniors in Costume in the Parade; April 27, placed wreath on General U. S. Grant Memorial in Union Square; attended exercises on Mothers' Day at Arlington and placed wreath on Tomb of Unknown Soldier of World War; May 13, attended Civic Memorial Tribute to Dr. Ellen Spencer Mussey in Continental Memorial Hall and took part in massing of the Colors; May 16, attended joint annual exercises by Lincoln and Grant Circles in Rotunda of the Capitol and placed wreathes on statues of Lincoln and Grant; May 30, attended patriotic exercises at Arlington National Cemetery and six other Cemeteries; placed wreath on Tomb of Unknown Soldiers of Civil War dead and on Tomb of Unknown Soldier of World War and took part in the Massing of the Colors in the Amphitheatre; June 14, assisted with ten color bearers in exercises on steps of the capitol; attended and took part in Massing of the Colors at Mount St. Albans National Cathedral; July 4th, assisted in exercises at foot of Washington Monument and laid wreath; July 11, held patriotic exercises at old Fort Stevens; placed wreath on Monument. We were assisted by Fort Stevens Post, American Legion and Boy Scout Troop. The bugler was a visiting Boy Scout from Canada. General Amos A. Fries made the address.

CIRCLES UNDER NATIONAL JURISDICTION

AUGUST WILLICH CIRCLE NO. 1

Louisville, Kentucky

Sister Mary Williams, reports three schools visited; 50 patriotic leaflets distributed; four prizes given for patriotic essays and two portraits of Lincoln presented to schools; 50 children assisted in celebrating national holidays and the Circle has taken part with all patriotic organizations and plans planting trees in name of Ladies of the G.A.R. on Armistice Day.

GENERAL D. S. STANLEY CIRCLE NO. 3

San Antonio, Texas

Sister Dolly Sowell, reports that their members observed the birthday anniversaries of Lincoln, Washington and McKinley, Flag Day and Appomattox Day.

GENERAL GEORGE A. CUSTER CIRCLE NO. 6

Chamberlain, South Dakota

Sister Stella L. Pilger, Circle Treasurer, reports the expenditure of $6.40 for patriotic work, and doubtless the members observed all national holidays, although there is no such questions asked on the Circle Report blank sent in by this Circle.

Following is the condensed report of the Departments:

Number of Active Members	22,210
Number of Honorary Members	3,768
Number of Junior Members	108
Number of Departments Co-operating with the G.A.R.	25
Number of Departments Co-operating with the S. of V.	23
Number of Flag Leaflets distributed	11,454

WYNNYE G. WILLIAMSON

National Counselor

EFFIE M. THRASHER

National Inspector

Number of Patriotic Songs distributed	2,060
Number of Patriotic exercises conducted	31
Number of schools visited	1,155
Number of rural schools visited	103
Number of children taught salute and Pledge to the Flag	98,122
All Departments observe birthdays of Lincoln, Washington, and McKinley, also Appomattox Day, Flag Day and Memorial Day.	
Number of children taking part in these exercises	218,020
Number of Flags donated to schools and public buildings	1,288
Number of Flags given Cemeteries and Scouts	1,984
Number of children taking part in Memorial Day exercises	265,354
Number of oleographs presented to schools	413
Number of portraits of Lincoln presented	80
Number of prizes given for patriotic essays	60
Number of objectionable histories in schools (D.C.)	1
Number of Circles with special fund for patriotic work	44
Amount of money expended for patriotic work	$ 5,872.00
Number of patriotic addresses, pledge cards, leaflets received from National Patriotic Instructor	3,550

CIRCLES UNDER NATIONAL

Number of Active Members	37
Number Co-operating with the G.A.R. and S. of V.	1
Number of patriotic leaflets distributed	50
Number of prizes given for patriotic essays	4
Number of portraits of Lincoln presented to schools	2
Number of Circles observing birthdays of Lincoln, Washington, McKinley, Appomattox Day, Flag Day and Memorial Day	2
Amount of money expended for patriotic work	$ 6.40

This has been an extraordinarily busy year with not one moment wasted and in closing I desire to commend the Departments for their patriotic work during the year and to extend special thanks to my Assistant Patriotic Instructors, Minnie F. Seitz, Myrta Nichols, Ella Berkemeir, Freeda Peterson, Marion F. Crocker and Emma F. Hayward for their kind co-operation in distributing literature, addressing clubs and otherwise assisting me in my work, and to our dear National President, Frances M. Kuhns, who was never too busy to lend a helping hand, God bless her.

MARGARET HOPKINS WORRELL,
National Patriotic Instructor.

National Counselor, Wynnye G. Williamson, reported for the Greetings Committee to the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, had visited their Convention and was kindly received, and that they sent their very best wishes to our National President.

REPORT OF THE BUGLE CALL

To the National President, Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first Annual National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Weiser, Idaho.

Dear Sisters:—

In accordance of the expressed wish of our National President I am making my report as short as possible.

First of all let me thank you again for the pleasure derived from the privilege you have given me of serving our National Organization another year as editor of our Bugle Call.

Hour after hour I sit at my desk so absorbed in this delightful work and enjoying the many personal communications that I forget the dreadful handicap that has robbed me of much that life holds dear, personal communication with my friends, however, the past year has been a happy one.

I appreciate the courtesy extended to me by my National President also the honor she bestowed when she asked me to represent her at the Idaho Department Convention, but since it was held on the last three days of the month, it was quite impossible for me to go, as that is just the time when Bugle Call copy must be prepared and made ready for the printer on the morning of the first day of the month. However, Sister May Masecar of Spokane, very graciously agreed to represent the Representative and was made very welcome by the Idaho Department President and her delegation. Sister Masecar also installed the officers and I was told it was the finest they ever saw.

Last year the Bugle Call had its most successful year from a financial standpoint, according to our records. The income from subscriptions and advertising alone paid all running expenses including the Editor's salary, and the closing month of the year, by close cooperation and a determination to win we were able to reach and even go beyond our goal of 1,000 new subscribers. The closing month also marked the largest income the Bugle Call has recorded for a single month, $197.50 but a part of this was advertising.

To Sister Frances Martin Kuhn's administration belongs the credit and honor of recording the largest monthly income from subscriptions alone, $171.00. This success has not been achieved without an effort, it has taken hard work and constant care, but the satisfaction that comes with achievement amply repays us for the extra work, note than I say pays us, for our National President has never been too busy to talk Bugle Call, and just here I also want to express my appreciation to the faithful sisters who have acted as Bugle Call agents, and I want to mention especially Sisters Gertrude Walbridge, Rochester; Catherine Schroeder, Los Angeles; Eunice Rash, Thayer, Kansas; Ella Berkemeir, Akron, Ohio; Fannie Small, Iowa; Frances Haskell, Washington; Theo Redfern, Rhode Island; Phebe Asher, Puyallup, Washington; Sadie Mae Williams, Ohio; Rebecca Blain, Washington, D. C.; Mae Masecar, Spokane, Washington; Gladys Swallen, Ohio; Mamie Craver, Oklahoma.

Clara Snyder of Medina, Ohio, reports her Circle 100% enrolled in the Bugle Call family and Clara Burdell of Emmett, Idaho, who reported her Circle 100% last years, reports 100% renewals this year.

To Sister Geisler of Fon Du Lac, Wis., belongs the distinction of increasing their Bugle Call mailing list 100%.

I could not close my report without giving some credit to my husband who has taken such an interest in the success of our Bugle Call, and also to my son Robert, who does endless errands, and incidentally thrashes out all battles with the printers.

Every possible effort has been made this year to keep our Bugle Call self sustaining, that we would not have to use any of our Bugle Call per capita tax, and if every subscriber would keep paid up to date, this could be done, but it is a heavy expense to carry so many in arrears.

My statistical report is as follows:

Receipts

Amount received from subscriptions	$ 846.50
Amount received from advertising	95.75
Amount at convention	31.00
Amount received from Circles (4c P.C.T.)	1,132.84
Total from all sources	$ 2,106.09

Disbursements

Printing	$ 779.25
Postal Cards Statements	23.50
Office Expense, Postage and Salary	503.69
Total Expenses	$ 1,326.44
Balance to the credit of the Bugle Call	$ 779.65

Loyally sumbitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

CASSEA HOPPER ORSBORN,
Editor.

Motion made by Sister Wilma Ramon seconded by several, we adjourn to meet at 1:00 P.M. Wednesday.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Wednesday afternoon session, was called to order by National President at 2:00 P.M. Pass-word taken, all joined in singing America. National Chaplain, Mamie Giroux, read a portion of the Scripture. The Lord's Prayer was repeated.

Pledge to the Flag was led by National Patriotic Instructor, Margaret H. Worrell. The Roll was called and delegates seated.

REPORT OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATION

September 6th, 1937.

To the Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first Annual National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Sisters:

We, the members of the National Council of Administration, having audited the books of the National Secretary, National Treasurer, Editor of the Bugle Call and the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the National Memorial Shrine Fund, beg to submit the following report.

Amount received from previous Administration		$1,104.11	

RECEIPTS

From sale of supplies	$2,084.01		
For Per Capita Tax	4,190.13		
From Bugle Call	740.50		
For Convention Memorial Fund	83.07		
From Quilt Fund	530.30		
Miscellaneous	97.73		
Total Receipts		7,725.74	
Total amount of money received			$8,829.85

EXPENDITURES

General Expense	$4,232.23		
Supplies	1,224.70		
Bugle Call	1,077.36		
Memorial Shrine	56.94		
Total Expenditures		$6,591.23	
Balance subject to Convention Expense			$2,238.62

BUGLE CALL

RECEIPTS

From subscriptions	$ 694.50	
From advertising	43.75	
From cuts and extra copies	2.25	
Total receipts		$ 740.50

EXPENDITURES

Printing and cuts	$ 579.25	
Postage and office expense	65.68	
Stationery	42.75	
Salary	389.68	
Total expenditures		$1,077.36

MEMORIAL SHRINE FUND

Received from previous administration	$3,623.39	
Receipts during year	88.21	
Interest	1.66	
Total amount in Memorial Shrine Fund		$3,713.26

Ws wish to commend these four Officers upon the excellent condition of their books.

Loyally yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

GLADYS W. NEWTON, Chairman
FRANCES M. HASKELL
SADIE MAE WILLIAMS

On motion of Sister Gladys Newton, seconded by Sister Gertrude Walbridge, a rising vote of thanks be extended to the National Secretary, National Treasurer, Editor of the Bugle Call and Chairman of Ways and Means Committee for the excellent condition of their books. Carried.

REPORT OF NATIONAL COUNSELOR

To Frances M. Kuhns, National President, Officers and Members of The Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic:

While extending greetings to this Convention I also extend thanks for the office of Counselor, which you conferred upon me in Washington, D. C., September 1936. Due to the fact that our President is

possessed of great executive ability my duties have been very light, though I have been willing and ready at all times to aid her in any way which might lighten her burdens or cares of office. Have tried to be prompt with correspondence answering any questions which were in my line of duty, and more than anxious to counsel or advise for the advancement of our work. For the reason that I was the only National officer in my city I was made General Chairman of Memorial Day Committee when the allied societies were joined by the Spanish War Veterans and American Legion and their auxiliaries in the observance of the day. It was my pleasant duty to represent our National President at West Virginia's Department Convention at Fairmont the week of June 7, where my Department gave me all the honor it would have given our National President. I was made toastmistress at the banquet, having the pleasure of presenting our Commander-in-Chief, C. H. William Ruhe and his charming wife to the West Virginians. The week of June 13th I was honored by acting as National Representative at the Indiana Convention at Logansport, and the sisters here were more than gracious to me and it was a real pleasure to attend this convention because the Department of Indiana along with that of West Virginia was among those conventions I was not permitted to attend last year. The 24th of July in company with Sister Gladys W. Newton I attended a banquet in Pittsburgh given by the Past Presidents' Association of Western Pennsylvania, honoring our National President, and an added pleasure was a visit to the Ladies of the G.A.R. Home at Swissvale.

Sister National President it has been a delight to work with you as one of your official family and I wish for you success and happiness, not only in your convention, but in the years to follow and to use the Aztec's farewell may I say

"Bright be your Todays
But the brighter still your Tomorrows."

Sincerely yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

WYNNYE G. WILLIAMSON,
National Counselor.

NATIONAL INSPECTOR'S REPORT

To the National President, Frances Martin Kuhns,
Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Sisters:

With the passing of the year comes a final duty, that of rendering a statement of work accomplished. It is with pleasure, therefore, that I present the following report from Departments, which, with a few exceptions, came in very promptly. I am able at this time to submit reports from all Departments except New Hampshire, although I have written repeatedly to the President of this state and to Presidents of Circles under National Jurisdiction. August Willich Circle No. 1, Gen. D. S. Stanley Circle No. 3 recently responded and is also included in my report.

This naturally makes it impossible to give the accurate membership or number of circles.

SUMMARY

Number of Circles reported	668
Total Membership	27,358
Members in Good Standing	25,237
Honorary Members of the G. A. R.	962
Honorary Members, Sons of Veterans, Grandsons and Nephews	4,253
Amount in Relief Fund	$ 1,185.15
Amount in Special Fund	$ 9,188.94
Amount in General Fund	$ 3,650.39
Amount Spent for Relief	$12,993.78
Relief other than money estimated	$85,101.20
Amount given to G. A. R.	$ 995.33
Amount given to Soldier's Homes	$ 599.54
Amount given to Soldier's Orphan's Homes	$ 20.00
Amount given to Soldier's Widow's Homes	$ 1,002.20
Amount to Homes for Veterans and Wives	$ 1,167.70
Amount given for Memorial Fund	$ 329.79
Amount spent for Patriotic Work	$ 2,926.20
Amount given for War Relief Work	$ 528.53
Amount given for Red Cross	$ 88.15
Number of Flags used for Burial Service	583

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to the Department Presidents, Treasurers and Secretaries for their kindness and co-operation when it was necessary to make a request of them. To my sisters throughout this Grand Organization, who have so kindly remembered me with General Orders, Department Rosters and messages of good will, I thank you.

And now, to you, my dearly beloved National President, my heartfelt thanks are given for your expression of confidence in my ability to serve as your National Inspector in this beloved order which is so dear to both of our hearts. It has been a highly appreciated privilege to be of whatever help my abilities have permitted, and I shall ever cherish the memory of your kindness to me. Accept my love and sincere thanks, and be assured of my loyal and everlasting friendship.

Lovingly yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

EFFIE M. THRASHER,
National Inspector.

Our National Inspector, Effie M. Thrasher, in a few well chosen words presented a celophane box containing a corsage, her personal gift, and a hidden treasure, a testimonial from the Officers, Departments, Circles and many friends in our beloved Order to our National President.

Sister National President thanked Sister Thrasher, and thanked the entire membership for their token of appreciation, and stated that her service was a real joy because of the wonderful co-operation she had received, and to Sister Thrasher she said it was pleasure for me to have you as a member of my Official family, as we have been close friends since our first meeting, and have worked side by side during the past year, I do so thank you for this demonstration of your love for me today in this testimonial from the organization, and also this beautiful personal gift, the Corsage inside of this celophane box. I assure you I shall purchase something with it that shall always remind me of my year as National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, and my beloved National Inspector.

REPORT OF NATIONAL REGISTRAR

September, 1937.

To Frances M. Kuhns, National President,
Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

My Dear Sisters:

In accepting the office of Registrar for the fourth consecutive year, it was with determination to continue to co-operate with the Department and Circle Registrars in the work of completing old records in addition to filing the records of new members.

At the request of our National President to have reports as brief as possible, I hereby report the results of my work during the past year:—

There are 737 Circles in good standing in the National File but only 419 made any report to their Department Registrars this year. As a result of these reports I have filed records for 1203 new members and recorded 826 losses. Three new Circles—one each for New York, Pennsylvania and Minnesota have been recorded. Twenty-three Circles have been reported as disbanded but the date was not always specified. Twelve Junior Circles are recorded and two new Junior Circles have been added this year with 54 new members, one each in the Departments of Washington and Alaska and Potomac.

When I first checked the Circles four years ago **not one** was found to be 100%—today there are 158 Circles and 10 Junior Circles recorded 100% a gain of 72 more than last year. In addition to Missouri with all of her Circles 100% the past three years, I am pleased to announce New Hampshire and Utah have all their Circles 100% and I commend their Registrars for their splendid work.

When names of members dropped or otherwise lost have been received, I have hunted through the files to record them—many had never been filed and I sent their names back to their respective Departments for records—resulting in 676 old records of previous years being filed this year. With the co-operation of my family of Registrars I have been able to complete 1604 old records this year by supplying valuable information which had been lacking.

This makes a total of 8338 old records completed in my four years of service as Registrar. There are still hundreds of records to be completed. Many very old records which I realize may be impossible to complete but many of later years that need only a little interest and willingness from the members and Registrars to complete them.

Only 158 Circles out of 737 are 100% to date so you can readily see there is plenty of work ahead if our Order of Records is to be as represented. I do appreciate the willing co-operation of the Department Registrars and trust they will continue to assist in this important work.

Your Department Registrar has been working hard to make her Circles 100% even though your Circle is not listed with the perfect records—but next year may find your Circle among them—will **you** help?

I thank the Bugle Call Editor for her many courtesies during the year she was kind to allow me space to grant the request of many sisters regarding the 100% Circles.

I want to thank Sister Kuhns for appointing me as her representative at the Vermont Convention. I only wish she could have visited those Vermont girls and received the many courtesies they extended to me.

I appreciate your confidence in re-electing me to this office—in giving me the opportunity to continue in the work I have become so interested in and I trust I may learn that every Circle is 100% in the near future.

I recommend that a new filing system be established as soon as possible, the present one being inadequate to serve its purpose.

Urging every member to co-operate in the continuation of this work, I am,

Sincerely yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

THEO C. REDFERN,
National Registrar.

Department of	Number of Circles	Number of Circles Reporting	New Members Sept. 1936 to Sept. 1937	Old Members Not Previously Recorded	Old Records Completed	Losses Reported in 1936-1937	New Circles	Circles Disbanding	Number of Junior Circles	New Junior Circles	New Junior Members	Number of 100% Circles	Number of 100% Junior Circles
1 New Jersey	28	21	50	5	14	44	.....	.....	1	.....	1	7	1
2 Pennsylvania	92	38	193	72	233	11	1	8	5	.....	.....	9	2
3 Calif-Nev.	42	30	106	12	11	101	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
4 Illinois	64	29	81	29	92	41	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	15	.....
5 Kansas	42	15	48	2	14	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
6 Ohio	45	17	69	15	43	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
7 Iowa	38	26	55	184	193	84	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
8 Oklahoma	8	8	19	1	66	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
9 Kentucky	8	7	.....	33	20	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	.....
10 Nebraska	15	9	14	80	213	0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....
11 Massachusetts	19	15	13	29	0	8	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
12 Minnesota	46	31	94	23	163	118	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....
13 New York	42	25	90	45	34	77	1	3	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
14 Indiana	43	14	59	7	22	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....
15 Colo.-Wyo.	10	5	11	3	10	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	.....
16 Michigan	19	10	51	.....	6	15	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	1
17 West Virginia	20	5	5	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	2	4
18 Wisconsin	28	18	33	30	92	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....
19 Wash.-Alaska	25	19	53	44	43	69	.....	5	.....	1	25	6	1
20 Missouri	22	22	32	9	14	60	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	21	.....
21 Oregon	13	6	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	.....
22 Connecticut	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	.....
23 Maine	15	12	21	14	100	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....
24 Rhode Island	6	5	11	6	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....
25 Vermont	5	5	12	.....	4	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
26 Montana	11	9	16	10	162	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
27 Idaho	6	2	3	1	20	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	.....
28 Florida	6	3	8	10	6	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	0	.....
29 New Hampshire	4	3	3	1	8	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....
30 Utah	6	5	12	2	14	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
31 Patomac	5	5	17	9	5	3	.....	.....	.....	1	28	0	1
D. S. Stanley Cir. San Antonio	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Totals	737	419	1206	676	1604	826	3	23	12	2	54	158	10

LILLIAN CLARK CARY

National Junior Supervisor

CLARA N. SAWYER
Chairman of Memorial Shrine

GERTRUDE M. WALBRIDGE
National Press Correspondent

National Treasurer, Ethelyn P. Smith reported that she had received $265.00 for Registration fees.

Minutes of Tuesday morning and afternoon sessions were read and approved.

Motion made by National Counselor, Wynnye G. Williamson, seconded by Sister Gertrude Walbridge that we change the order of business and proceed with the election of officers. Carried.

Two beautiful baskets of flowers from the Governor's Reception were presented to our National President, for the Convention, by Mrs. Vilas Hanks in memory of her father Comrade Vilas, for whom the Circle in Madison was named, they were placed on each side of the Rostrum, the portrait of Abraham Lincoln resting in the center.

Roll called, 258 delegates entitled to vote. National President announced that printed cards could be used for ballots.

Nominations were opened for the office of National President—P.N.P. Helen M. Lehman nominated Orpha Whitaker of New Jersey; P.N.P. Cassea H. Orsborn nominated Frances M. Haskell of Washington-Alaska; Sadie Bonger nominated Ida E. Wright of Illinois; Carrie North nominated Ella Berkemier of Ohio; Nora Koehler nominated Nannie Sterrett of Ohio; Anna Harges nominated Edwina P. Trigg of Missouri; Josephine Glass nominated Nellie Stammel of Indiana; Amy Putman nominated Margaret H. Worrell of the Department of the Potomac. The candidates were presented to the Convention and the following declined—Sisters Wright, Trigg, Stammel and Worrell, leaving Sisters Whitaker, Haskell, Sterrett and Berkemier as candidates.

The tellers appointed were Sisters Emily J. Tompkins, Carrie North, Cassea Orsborn and Nora Koehler.

There were 258 votes cast of which Sister Whitaker received 110 votes, Sister Haskell 108 votes, Sister Berkemier 27 votes and Sister Sterrett 13 votes. No election, the National President ordered another ballot, Sisters Sterrett and Berkemeir withdrew their names, leaving Sisters Whitaker and Haskell as candidates. There were 247 votes cast, Sister Whitaker received 133 votes and Sister Haskell 114 votes. Our National President declared Sister Orpha Whitaker elected National President for the ensuing year. Sister Whitaker accepted the office with thanks.

Our National President announced that there was a member of the Junior Organization at the door, Junior Supervisor Lillian Clark Cary escorted Mary Woodyard of Nevin Circle No. 85 of Pennsylvania to the platform, she was welcomed by our National President and presented to the convention. In a very charming way she extended Greetings from the Junior Organizations of Pennsylvania, and presented our National President with a gift. Sister Cary responded to the greetings.

Motion Made by Sister Catherine Schroeder, seconded by May B. Slattery, we adjourn until 9:00 A.M. Thursday. Carried.

THURSDAY MORNING SESSION

Our National President called the session to order at 9:15 Thursday morning, September 9th, 1937. Pass word taken. National Chaplain, Mamie Giroux read Scripture lesson, The Lord's Prayer

was repeated. Pledge to the Flag given, led by National Patriotic Instructor, Margaret H. Worrell.

One verse of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" was sung. Minutes of Wednesday afternoon session read and approved.

Delegation announced from the City of Madison. P.N.P. Emily J. Tompkins escorted and introduced the Honorable Mayor of Madison, James Law, he was welcomed by our National President and presented to the Convention, he extended greetings from the City of Madison. P.N.P. Emily J. Tompkins responded to the kind words of the Mayor, our National President presented him with a badge and said, "Mayor Law I am happy to have you visit my Convention today, and I take this opportunity to again thank you for your kindness in helping me to secure this Beautiful Central High School for my meeting place. We do thank you and assure you we are all enjoying the kindness of the Citizens of your Beautiful City, of Madison."

A silver offering was taken for the custodian of the School, which amounted to $15.00 and was accepted with thanks.

Delegation announced from the Grand Army of the Republic. P.N.P. Ethel M. Irish; P.N.P. Lydia Manson; and P.N.P. Lillian Clark Cary escorted and introduced Department Commander of Pennsylvania, A. J. Anderson; Past Department Commander, Edward Foster Massachusetts and Past Department Commander, John Reed of Washington-Alaska., they each addressed the Convention and received great applause, Sister Cary in her usual charming manner responded to the greetings. Soloist Marie Harkins sung "My Maryland."

REPORT OF NATIONAL PRESS CORRESPONDENT

To the National President, Frances M. Kuhns,
Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic:

Dear Sisters:

It is with pleasure that I submit to you my report as National Press Correspondent.

Sister National President may I again express my appreciation of the honor conferred upon me by this appointment and for the opportunity thus given me of service to you and to our Order. I have always considered it one of the greatest privileges of my life to serve our beloved Organization, whether in the work of the Circle, the Department, or the National.

Again this year my special efforts have been put forth on behalf of our splendid paper, the Bugle Call. To date I have forwarded to the Editor of the Bugle Call 156 subscriptions, and my only regret is that the number this year is not quite as high as last when the total reached 192. My close association and contact with Sister Orsborn, our capable Editor, has been a source of great joy and pleasure to me and I feel that she should have the loyal support of every member.

On Washington's Birthday, February 22nd, I attended the annual transfer of flags at the Eastman Theatre. It is a wonderful sight to see the flags of all our city schools on the stage of this large Theatre and to witness the ceremonies as the flags are transferred

from the retiring standard bearers to the newly appointed standard bearers for the coming year.

On Memorial Sunday morning, Captain Henry Lomb, Circle No. 75, of which I am a member, presented a flag to the Salem Evangelical Church, one of the largest churches in our city of Rochester. It was a beautiful and inspiring service and it was my privilege to give in conjunction with it a short address on our Organization, its aims and objects.

Sunday evening of the same day, I attended the Joint Memorial Service at the Masonic Temple. This is, always, an impressive service.

One of our beloved veterans of Rochester, Joseph Bauer, who was elected Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic in June, was tendered a wonderful reception on the occasion of his home coming from Convention. It was my pleasure at that time to extend to him the greetings and best wishes of our Organization.

During the year I attended many other patriotic, banquets, and etc., which I will not enumerate.

In conclusion, may I thank all those who assisted me in my work for the Bugle Call and may I, also, thank our Editor Sister Orsborn and our National President for their splendid letters of help and encouragement.

With all good wishes to Sister Frances for success and happiness and a splendid Convention, I am

Sincerely yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

GERTRUDE M. WALBRIDGE,
National Press Correspondent.

REPORT OF NATIONAL ASSISTANT PRESS CORRESPONDENT

To the National President, Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Sisters:

I wish to express my deep appreciation for the honor conferred upon me in appointing me Assistant National Press Correspondent. I will try to fill this office, during the Convention, to the best of my ability. I have enjoyed my years in your official family.

Your loving letters have been a great inspiration and have meant so much to me and they will always be cherished in my book of memories.

We had the pleasure of having our National President with us for our Department Convention held in Detroit, Michigan, she captured every heart of each member and carried them away with her. To serve the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic and to carry on the work of this wonderful Order is "My Motto."

To be guided by the spirit of love and fraternalism is real patriotism and my sweet association with our National President has enriched my life more than words can tell.

For your loving heart
Your smile so sweet,
To be with you
Was such a treat,
May God bless you dear
In all you do,
And guide you always
The whole world through.

Again thanking you very sincerely.

Submitted loyally in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

ETHEL COTHRELL,
Assistant National Press Correspondent.

REPORT OF NATIONAL JUNIOR SUPERVISOR

To Frances Kuhns, National President and Members of the
Fifty-first National Concention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear Sisters:

I am assured that there is a quickened interest in the organization of Junior Circles. The contact with the departments has demonstrated that our members fully understand the importance of building up the Junior work as a stepping stone to increasing membership in the Senior Circles.

All department presidents have not reported the number of Junior Circles but there are several very active circles and prospects of new circles.

The Junior Circle at Niles, Michigan, under the supervision of Niles Circle No. 45 has done more outstanding work than any other. A Drum Corps was organized, the plan proposed by our Past National Patriotic Instructor Ethel Cottrell, Sister Lillie Wall gave a hundred dollars or more toward the expenses and Sister Edith Greek also helped for the payment of the instruments. The drum corps has nineteen members and Circle No. 45 at Niles financed the trip to the Department Convention at Detroit. To say that this drum corps was an asset to this convention expresses the real enthusiasm in a mild way. Even the governor expressed his opinion as to the merit of such an organization. What a wonderful plan to follow. The Circle at Niles has raised the funds in various ways to further the interests of this organization. The Junior Circle itself is one of which we should be proud. This is a foundation for American citizenship which cannot be surpassed in any other training.

Sister Ottillie Helmrich instituted a Junior Circle in Irvington, N. J., with a membership of 50 and there is another very active Junior Circle in Washington, D. C., with 24 members.

I would not advise the printing of new Junior rituals at this time but after we have a few other circles and the work is more thoroughly understood I would recommend that we have revised rituals for our Juniors. The Departments of Illinois and Indiana are interested in forming new Junior Circles and have the information relative to the new organizations in their departments which I have furnished.

In my recommendations I would change the amount paid for dues but because ten cents a month is too high. In our Senior Circles in some instances the dues are only $1.00 a year and the children should not be compelled to pay more. I have taken upon myself the privilege of recommending to the supervisors that the dues be made whatever the supervisors deem advisable if I had not done this we would not have the interest that we have now manifested in this work.

The opportunity is before us now to build up this Junior work and I need not emphasize the importance of forming these organizations for you all know without repitition what these Junior Circles mean to our Order.

The Young Woman's Club that I proposed organizing in our circles met with a hearty approval of our members and much enthusiasm was created by the communications to the presidents and also from the article in the Bugle Call. I have been very busy replying to inquires as to the requirements of such an organization. As I stated in the article published in our official organ we must have something to offer our young women when we ask for their applications. We find an interest in simply attending a meeting and going through the ritualistic work just the meeting together with our sisters in the circle room and visiting for a while and making plans for certain lines of work is attractive to us but when it comes to our young women they want to be more active. In every walk of life today where hands are held out for the garnering in of that citizenship which means upbuilding of country we must be alive and alert to duty. When we organize the club in this circle we must have active women appointed as supervisors, women who have a contact with young women and who know how to reach them. Then the plan of forming the organizations with an outline of activities such as plays, pageants or socials must be taken into consideration. This group of young women will in no way interfere with the general work of the circle. It will be a part of the circles but have its own sphere in which to work. Although the Senior Circle must be very interested and do everything in its power to keep up interest and offer any suggestions practicable to the supervisors of the Young Woman's Club. After all my sisters when we think of what we are and what we hope to be in the future there is nothing which has the vital interest as this bringing our young women into the Order now to be the workers of the future.

We all hear this remark, "Oh they are so busy in other matters and there are so many other societies we cannot interest them."

This is an old wornout slogan. It has done more to hurt the progress of our Order than anything in the annals of criticism. It is a pessimistic thought that becomes a pessimistic idea and finally forms a pessimistic plan and spoils any attempt to start in the march to success. Let us forget that there are a thousand other organizations and a thousand other things to interest our young women and remember ours is an unique order there is only one Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic in the whole world and it has a back ground, a history, a tradition, so much in its glorious record, nothing in this whole wide world can ever stop its progress and success. Let us adopt as our permanent pass word, "It can be done."

My association with our young women, and their understanding and interest, have proved to me that we can organize these groups, my only regret being we have not sufficient funds to put well equipped organizers right on the ground.

I would recommend that we decrease the price of junior rituals

from 40 cents to 30 cents and make the dues 35 cents a year in the Junior Circles.

I would also recommend that three supervisors be appointed to organize the Young Woman's Club in the Circles. That a plan of organization be outlined and sent to every Department President. This plan to be the work of the National Junior Supervisor.

Would recommend we have a Department Junior Supervisor, the duties of the officers to be carried on in the same manner as the duties of other officers in the department. The Department Supervisor working under the instructions of the National Junior Supervisor.

I am so grateful for the fine cooperation I have received. If it had not been for the interest manifested which just filled my heart with delight I am sure I would have been discouraged in this very new plan. This interest demonstrates to me that we can be on the mountain top of progress and not down in the valley of depression if we just look up and not down. Our day is at hand. All we need to do is to forget depression and remember the goal is ours if we seek it.

Dreary hearts send challenge "can't be done"
And loud rebuke my earnest will.
But I already see the vict'ry won
And in my hands I hold the prize until
I pass it on to someone else who still believes with me
That in this trusted order, life moves on
In glorious service o'er its troubled sea.

I want to thank the National President, Sister Frances Kuhns for appointing me to this office. The work was in a new field but there was such an interest manifested I feel so happy I was able to serve. Sister Kuhns and I were friends for many years but our association this year has ripened this friendship into such a harvest of golden relationship that I feel so well repaid for service not only to our Order but to her as well.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN CLARK CARY,
National Junior Supervisor.

Sister Cary recommended that the President of each Department be authorized to appoint a Department Junior Supervisor for Junior Organizations, to work with the National Supervisor. On motion of Sister Frances Haskell, seconded by Sister Margaret Worrell, that this recommendation be adopted. Carried.

After reading the following clipping from a Jacksonville paper sent to our National President by Sister Frances Dorsey of Detroit, Michigan, it was suggested by Sister Sarah J. Ehrmann, that the incoming National Patriotic Instructor raise funds to place a Tablet to the memory of Julia Ward Howe, the author of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," written in the Old Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., on November 21st, 1861.

U. D. C. Seeks to Purge Schools of "Battle Hymn"

JACKSONVILLE, Ala., Aug. 18.—(AP)—Presidents of three state divisions of the United Daughters of the Confederacy have

joined the movement to expunge "the Battle Hymn of the Republic" from church and public school songbooks.

Mrs. C. W. Daugette, president of the Alabama U. D. C., criticized the song as attempting to "cry shame upon our forefathers, in that it pictures confederates as heathens."

She asked co-operation of "every true American and Southerner" in opposing it.

On motion of Sister Sarah Ehrmann, seconded by Sister Edwina P. Trigg, that we draw up a resolution protesting against the obliteration of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic. Carried.

Motion made by Sister Lillian Clark Cary, seconded by Sister Frances Haskell, that Sister Margaret H. Worrell, National Patriotic Instructor receive a rising vote of thanks for presenting this matter. Carried.

The delegation was very enthusiastic about placing a Tablet to the memory of Julia Ward Howe, in Washington, D. C., and volunteered to raise the fund, pledges were taken by our National President which amounted to $253.00. Dr. Ethel Richardson, Department President of Illinois, gave the first five dollars.

It was announced that Comrade P. H. Jefferies, of Eugene, Oregon, who was attending the National Encampment, had passed away. National President appointed P.N.P. Sister Michener, P.N.P. Sister Tompkins and P.N.P. Sister Ehrmann to purchase some flowers and visit the Funeral Home, and to extend sympathy from the National Organization.

The delegates from the Department of Oregon asked permission to attend the funeral of their Comrade. National President, granted their request.

Past National President, Sarah J. Ehrmann, presented Col. J. W. Jackson, of the Madison-Wisconsin Foundation, and Chairman of General Committees. Sister National President welcomed Col. Jockson, and thanked him for all his kindness as Chairman of the Madison-Wisconsin Foundation and assured him of the appreciation of every member of the Convention, and again thanks to him for the use of the Flags for decorations, and for the many courtesies extended her, on her trips to Madison. Col. Jackson thanked our National President for her kind words stating they had enjoyed our stay in their City, and would regret when the time came for us to depart. Sister Ehrmann responded to the kind words and presented him with a badge of our Convention. Our Soloist, Marie Harkins sang, "Tying Apples on a Lylac Tree."

P.N.P. Clare N. Sawyer, Chairman of Greeting Committee to the Grand Army of the Republic stated visiting their Convention. The Commander-in-Chief C. H. Wm. Ruhe was delighted to receive her Committee and the Department President of Pennsylvania who accompanied them.

P.N.P. Lillian Clark Cary, Chairman of Greetings Committee to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, reported they had visited their Convention, and had been most courteously received, bringing back Greetings and beautiful flowers for our National President.

It was reported that Mrs. Margaret Anderson, P.N.P. of the Sons of Union Veterans Auxiliary, had found a Gold Past President's Pin, dated 1924. Sister Sarah J. Ehrmann brought the pin to our

Convention. It was suggested that if the owner of the pin was not attending this Convention, the finding of this Pin be published in the Bugle Call.

Motion made by Sister Clara Smith, seconded by National Assistant Secretary, Maybelle S. Nissen, we adjourn until 1:30 P.M. Carried.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

The Session, Thursday afternoon was called to order at two o'clock, by our National President. Pass-word taken.

One verse of "America" was sung.

REPORT OF WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE of the NATIONAL MEMORIAL SHRINE FUND

There is always a feeling in the heart of one who accepts an assignment, that by giving the best of oneself, the task may be accomplished, and the ultimate result be what all would wish.

When I accepted the Chairmanship of this Committee, I did it with pride, for in doing this work, our organization was showing a deeper appreciation for our heritage, by working more closely together for a common cause; and pooling our gifts in cooperation; for we well know that "where our treasure is, there is our heart, also."

We realize that this could not be accomplished in a short time, but the start was made toward a goal that would give honor to our fathers who so richly deserve it. The first year went very well. Confusion resulted in the second year in regard to the three Memorial Funds. This year when plans were made for this work, our National organization found itself in the position of asking for funds to carry on our work. After a conference with our National President, it was decided that a direct appeal would not be made by this committee. Our National Organization must be maintained, and it was felt that our circles and departments could not respond to but one request at a time.

However, the loyalty that has seen us through many years of our existence, found itself at the helm and the pledges made by the Circles in the different Departments have been redeemed in a manner that is surprising. This goal is not so great but that it can be reached if we bend our efforts to the task. This has been demonstrated by the circles who have entered the 100% rank; thirty-three to be exact.

Many circles are near the 100% goal, and we feel sure they will soon attain it. Individuals outside of our Order have made their contributons.

We have a great goal ahead and as we work for this cause, our Order will prosper and grow in number, because we can point to the goal for which we are working and each sister will want to have a part.

The following is the amount reported to date:

EDWINA P. TRIGG

Chairman of National Memorial

The Report for the Year Follows:

Department	100%	1935-1936	1937	Total
New Jersey		$ 77.00		$ 77.00
Pennsylvania	1	148.80	12.00	160.80
California	1	166.23	.....	166.23
Illinois	7	455.70	.....	455.70
Kansas	3	356.75	68.00	424.75
Ohio	2	269.42	21.00	290.42
Iowa	2	178.25	8.50	186.75
Oklahoma	2	105.00	2.50	107.50
Kentucky	....	9.75	2.00	11.75
Nebraska	....	16.00	.....	16.00
Massachusetts	....	42.17	.....	42.17
Minnesota	....	118.50	11.21	129.71
New York	1	294.18	16.00	310.18
Indiana	1	200.37	.....	200.37
Colorado	....	93.50	.....	93.50
Michigan	....	41.66	.....	41.66
Wisconsin	1	138.45	31.70	170.15
West Virginia	1	63.00	.....	63.00
Washington and Alaska	1	106.25	6.00	112.25
Missouri	5	1000.79	.....	1000.79
Oregon	....	16.00	.....	16.00
Connecticut	....	16.50	.....	16.50
Maine	....	32.53	.....	32.53
Rhode Island	....	45.75	.....	45.75
Vermont	1	36.50	.....	36.50
Montana	....	22.50	.....	22.50
Idaho	1	30.00	.....	30.00
Florida	....	36.00	.....	36.00
Utah	....	33.00	.....	33.00
New Hampshire	....	23.00	.....	23.00
Dept. of Potomac	4	164.00	.....	183.00
August Willich	....	7.50	.....	7.50
Betsy Ross	....	5.00	.....	5.00
Donation	....	.....	2.00	2.00
		4350.14	180.91	4531.05
Dept. of Potomac Circle No. 3 Sent to Treasurer, M. S. Nissen, 1-18-35	....	18.00	.....	18.00
		4368.14	.....	4549.05

I appreciate the cooperation of the committee appointed to work with me, for the task has been a pleasant one. With many thanks to those of the Departments with whom I have been associated.

Sincerely,

EDWINA P. TRIGG, Chairman.
Ways and Means Committee.

REPORT OF
THE CONSTITUTION SESQUI-CENTENNIAL COMMISSION

The work of the National Committee appointed by our National President, to serve on the Constitution Sesqui-Centennial Commission is completed as far as the distribution of pamphlets and the outline of programs for the observance of the 150th anniversary of the framing of the Constitution are concerned.

This committee has been in communication with our department

officers and officers in the circles and every effort has been put forth to assist the departments and circles in this celebration. We did not need to awaken interest in the study of the constitution or to interest our members in the principles for which our constitution stands that patriotic ideal has long been the standard of our Order.

The cooperation the national committee has received from all officers is very gratifying.

On the 17th of September the nation will celebrate this anniversary in every city, town and village all over the United States. It will be one of the greatest days in all American history and it will be a legal holiday made so by a proclamation by the President of the United States.

The central thought in connection with this event is that it appeals to all citizens.

During the distribution of literature it was learned that many public and school libraries have few or no books pertaining to the Constitution and its history while other libraries had hundreds of volumes. This inequality of material offers a splendid opportunity for our patriotic organization to furnish the local libraries with pamphlets and books on the Constitution.

The ceremonies on the 17th of September will be only the beginning of a celebration which will extend until April 30, 1939, the 150th anniversary of the inauguration of President Washington.

It is confidently believed that in the celebration of the 150th anniversary of our Constitution that across the United States there will sweep a wave of Constitution patriotism which has never been equalled in this country and the effect of which will be to establish in the minds and souls of the American people a consciousness of the meaning and value of this document which for 150 years has made us a great liberty-loving people.

The following is a communication received from Mr. Sol Bloom, Director General of the Commission.

Dear Mrs. Cary:

Thank you for your interesting letter of July 20, for the newspaper clippings and for your broadcast for the Davenport Sesqui-Centennial Commission. We do appreciate your interest and enthusiasm and the very definite part that you and members of your committee have in making this observance a success. We are grateful for all the assistance rendered by the various workers in your organization.

Sister Cary has given several addresses over radio stations on "The underlying principles of the Constitution" at 5:15 Tuesday, Madison and Sister Lehman gave an address at 5:00 over WIBU Madison.

We commemorate our Constitution in the way we protect it from the enemy who fain would destroy its power and significance. We also commemorate its observance in the way we serve the country for which it stands.

We must teach the kind of lessons that began in the log cabin in Kentucky and later fell from the lips of him who came out of a wilderness and led our beloved country in the preservation of her principles and the protection of her rights. "This government of the people by the people and for the people will never perish from the

earth." This prayer of Abraham Lincoln is the unwritten page of the Constitution of the United States.

The study of our Constitution has not been as thorough as it should have been when we consider what it means to the nation. Sometimes some citizens think the perusal of this document is intended only for the youth who is going to become a citizen of the United States and that all education along this line should be centered in schools and colleges. Many thus lose sight of the power and value of this wonderful document and the mighty purpose it held when its words were first written into the annals of American history and the mighty purpose it still holds today. The Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic for more than fifty years have been teaching the youth of our country to uphold the Constitution, believe in it and protect it. We do not have to be interested in the study of this great document. It is a part of our lifework.

Service to the great America is the keynote in the musical drama of life. In the harp of our lives we would play the magic music of the old time melody "My country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty." On September 17th the entire nation will join in the words of this hymn until it swells the chorus in the grand old anthem "The Star Spangled Banner" and America will receive a new baptism in glory and power and her heritage will be declared the grandest tradition of the ages, and her Constitution secure and safe under the greatest Flag of the greatest nation under the shining sun.

LILLIAN CLARK CARY
CATHARINE DeLACEY ROCHE
EMILY TOMPKINS
CORA ROWLINGS
ETHEL COTTELL

National Committee.

Motion made by P.N.P. Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by National Counselor, Wynnye G. Williamson, that we continue with the nomination and election of Officers, and that the tellers retire and count the ballots. Carried.

Roll Call found 219 delegates present.

Nominations open for National Senior Vice President. P.N.P. Josephine Mahar nominated Edwina P. Trigg of Missouri; Sister Sadie Bonger nominated Ida E. Wright of Illinois; Sister Minnie Seitz nominated Catherine Schroeder of California.

The following Judge and Tellers were appointed: Sisters Mahar, Cooke and Tompkins. The candidates were presented, vote cast and tellers retired to count.

Nominations open for National Junior Vice President. Sister Elle Berkemeyer nominated Sadie Mae Williams of Ohio; Sister Genevieve Viets nominated Lillie Wall of Michigan; Sister Eva Goodwin nominated Harriet Eaton of New York. Ballot cast and tellers retire to count same.

The tellers reported on ballot for National Senior Vice President, 219 votes cast of which Sister Trigg received 107 votes; Sister Schroeder 77 votes and Sister Ida Wright 35 votes. No election. Sister Wright declined leaving Sisters Trigg and Schroeder as candidates. Second ballot taken and tellers retired.

The tellers reported on ballot for National Junior Vice President. 214 votes cast of which Sister Williams received 83 votes; Sister Wall 31 votes and Sister Eaton 100 votes. No election. Sister Wall withdrew her name. Second ballot taken.

The tellers reported on second ballot for National Senior Vice President, 213 votes cast of which Sister Trigg received 126 votes and Sister Catherine Schroeder 87 votes. Sister Trigg declared elected and accepted with thanks.

Tellers reported on second ballot for National Junior Vice President. 189 votes cast of which Sister Williams received 88 votes; Sister Eaton 100 votes; Sister Wall 1 vote. Sister Eaton was declared elected which she accepted with thanks.

Nominations opened for National Treasurer. P.N.P. Emily J. Tompkins nominated Ethelyn P. Smith for re-election, on motion of Sister Nissen seconded by National Counselor, Wynnye G. Williamson that Sister Smith be elected Treasurer by acclamation. Carried.

Nominations open for National Chaplain, Sister Lucy Haines nominated Sister Rash of Kansas; Sister Minnie Sietz nominated Margaret H. Worrell of the Department of the Potomac; Sister Myrtle Rodgers nominated Sister Sadie Blakeman; Sister Elsie Bybee nominated Clara Burdell of Idaho, Sister Worrell declined. Ballot cast and tellers retired to count same.

Nominations opened for National Patriotic Instructor. P.N.P. Ethel M. Irish nominated Alma Speckner of Wisconsin; P.N.P. Annie M. Michener nominated Sister Marie Buhler of New York. Sister Buhler declined. On motion by Sister Ethel Richardson seconded by P.N.P. Clara N. Sawyer, National Patriotic Instructor be elected by acclamation. Carried.

Nomination opened for National Counselor. Wynnye G. Williamson nominated our National President, Frances M. Kuhns. On motion of P.N.P. Martha J. Van Duzor seconded by several, Sister Kuhns be elected by acclamation. Carried.

Nominations opened for Council of Administration. P.N.P. Annie M. Michener nominated Marie Buhler of New York; P.N.P. Catharine DeLacy Roche nominated May B. Slattery of Pennsylvania; P.N.P. Clara N. Sawyer nominated Catherine Schroeder of California; P.N.P. Cassea H. Orsborn nominated Belle Pears of Montana; Sister Margaret Worrell nominated Sister Amy Putman of the Department of the Potomac; Sister Genevieve Viets nominated Ethel Cothrell of Michigan; Sister Carrie North nominated Sister Nora Koehler of Ohio; Sister Margaret Geisler nominated Marian Crocker of Florida; Sister Nellie Stammel nominated Maud Simons of Minnesota; Lillian Wilson nominated Elizabeth Stearns of Oklahoma. Sisters Putman, Simons and Stearns declined. Ballot taken and tellers retired to count same.

Nominations opened for National Registrar. Sister Frances Linnell nominated Theo Redfern for re-election. On motion of P.N.P. Clara N. Sawyer seconded by Sadie Mae Williams, that Sister Redfern be elected by acclamation. Carried.

Nominations opened for Editor of Bugle Call. P.N.P. Catherine DeLacy Roche nominated Cassea Orsborn for re-election. Sister Orsborn declined, and nominated Wynnye G. Williamson. On motion of P.N.P. Lydia Manson, seconded by P.N.P. Clara N. Sawyer that Sister Williamson be elected by acclamation. Carried.

REPORT OF NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Sister National President, Frances Martin Kuhns,
Members of the Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic:

Dear Sisters:

When our National President honored me with this appointment I fully realized the great importance of the position; what the conscientious fulfillment of its duties meant to our organization in particular and to our country in general, and I have faithfully carried out those duties.

One of the most important is the personal appearance, as the national representative of our Order, before Congressional Committees.

Your chairman, having held this office for several years, it has become known to members of Congress how our Order will stand on bills coming up for consideration before certain specified Committees, and are anxious to have representatives of organizations attend the hearings as witnesses, either for or against the bill, as the case may be. Notice is sent or published in the press of the proposed legislation, and your chairman appears and testifies, subjecting herself to cross-questioning by members of the Committee.

Only two outstanding matters held the attention of our legislators at the Session just passed—Immigration and the Supreme Court.

Early in the Session several very important bills on immigration were introduced in the House by Mr. Starnes, of Alabama, and by Senator Reynolds, of North Carolina, in the Senate. S.1363—To provide for the deportation of aliens inimical to the public interest and aliens on relief. It has been said that there are 3,000,000 aliens on relief, for whose support our citizens are being taxed, and that no other country on earth would tolerate such a condition. S.1364—To provide for the registration of aliens in the United States; S.1365—To provide for the prompt deportation of habitual alien criminals and other undesirable aliens, and S.1366—To reduce immigration, exclude any alien whose entry into the United States is inimical to public interest, and prohibit separation of families through the entry of aliens leaving dependents abroad.

Hearings on the Starnes Bills were held in the House and from April 27 to April 30, 1937, in the Senate, and all patriotic organizations were in favor of these bills. In his testimony before the Senate Committee, Mr. John B. Trevor, President of the Coalition, said, "I want the Committee to understand that in recommending this policy we have no animosity toward people because they are foreigners. Our organization does not feel that way. We have no desire to discriminate against any race or nationality. We are now endorsing Senator Reynolds' Bills in a desire to protect American labor, and also that aliens who are criminals should be identified as promptly as possible and eliminated from the community." The number of aliens admitted in 1936 was 190,899.

Senator Reynolds stated that "Time Magazine" quoted the President of the Republic of Mexico to the effect that there are at the present time in the United States 2,500,000 Mexicans nationals. Mexico would not permit our nationals such privilege.

Nothing was done with the Starnes Bills in the Immigration Committee of the House—it was simply brushed aside by the Chairman, Mr. Dickstein of New York—and the Dies Bill, H.R.6391, sub-

stituted and reported out, and on June 10 came before the House for a vote. I wish you all might read the discussion on the floor printed in the Congressional Record of that date. Mr. Starnes called particular attention to the change in the attitude of Congressman Dies of Texas by saying, "the bill under discussion (H.R.6391) today sounds a retreat (by Mr. Dies) from the principles set out in H.R. 5573, and all I ask the membership of this House to do is to obtain a copy of that bill, introduced by Mr. Dies on March 12, and then compare it with H.R.6391, introduced by him on April 14, **written by someone else; no hearings were held** and the full Committee did not act." Just before the bill passed two Congressmen, Jenkins of Ohio, and Bacon of New York, called for a yea and nay vote, but both were refused and the bill was passed. Congressman Johnson of Oklahoma said: "I consider H.R.6391 the most ill-advised and ill-considered bill that has passed this Session of Congress." However, it did not pass the Senate, for which we should be thankful and very watchful next Session to see that it **does not** pass.

On March 10, 1937, the Senate Judiciary Committee began hearings on the President's Bill S.1392, for the reorganization of the judicial branch of the Government. These hearings continued day after day from March 10 to April 23, over seven weeks.

During this long period there appeared professors and deans from almost every College and University in the United States to oppose the bill, trunks filled with petitions signed by thousands of citizens opposing the president's plan, resolutions, telegrams and letters by the tens of thousands poured in against the bill, and then shortly thereafter the Committee submitted its report against the bill, signed by the majority, namely, Senators Burke of Nebraska; O'Mahoney of Wyoming; McCarran of Nevada; King of Utah; Connally of Texas; Van Nuys of Indiana; Austin of Vermont; Borah of Idaho; Hatch of New Mexico, and Norris of Nebraska. Members of the Judiciary Committee in favor of the bill which would make the Supreme Court subservient to the Executive were: Neely of West Virginia; Logan of Kentucky; Dietrich of Illinois; McGill of Kansas; Ashurst of Arizona and Pittman of Nevada.

In the interim a bill had been passed by the Senate permitting the Justices of the Supreme Court to retire on full pay of $20,000 per annum, but none had taken advantage of the act to retire. Then when it became evident that there were not sufficient votes to pass the President's bill, Senator Robinson, after consultation with the President, introduced a compromise bill, which those who had opposed the original bill thought just as bad as the original, if not worse, and it was sent to the Judiciary Committee for consideration and report. Late in the afternoon of July 21, the day before the bill was reported out of Committee, I received a telegram from Senator Burke which read:

"Senators opposed to compromise Court bill will appreciate clear statement of your views with permission to make such use of your statement as our discretion dictates. We believe compromise must be defeated if the principle which you have joined with us in defending is to be preserved. May we have your views by wire." Signed—Edward S. Burke, U.S.S. to which I replied by wire, as requested: "No compromise on Court bill whatsoever. President wants 'a clean-cut victory or a clean-cut defeat.' The country is behind you. Compromise will weaken Democratic Party. Stand by your colors. The victory is yours." Signed—Margaret Hopkins Worrell.

I then sat down and wrote a letter to Senator Burke and all

opponents of the Supreme Court Bill and all compromises which I sent immediately by special delivery. The letter read:

"Democratic ideals face a defeat and the New Deal a victory if you fail to stand firm against any compromise offered on the Supreme Court bill. That is why these compromises are offered.

"Be not deceived by the specious arguments advanced to keep the Democratic Party intact. The Democratic Party is still the Democratic Party while the New Deal Party is something else again. It was the New Deal which split away from all the Democratic Party has stood for when the attempt was made to control the Supreme Court.

"Think not that by concessions now reprisal will not be made at the polls. It will, but those who are against you now may be those who will meet defeat hereafter.

"Why does the President oppose a Constitutional amendment? Not because it would take too long, but because the States would not ratify. An amendment in any form which makes the Courts subservient to the Executive must be defeated.

"The citizens of this Republic have been free too long to bend the knee to a restriction of those liberties purchased by our forbears in sacrifice and death and when the heel of a dictator is felt—then revolution comes.

"Those who vote for a compromise will forfeit the respect of all liberty-loving citizens and soon be forgotten while those who fight this battle will have their names inscribed on the roll of honor to whom this nation will ever pay tribute." With every good wish, I am —Signed—(Mrs.) Margaret Hopkins Worrell.

The following day the bill was unfavorably reported out of Committee and brought before the Senate. You all know the outcome—both the original and compromise were defeated and only parts of the bill relating to the lower courts was passed.

Sisters, we are facing the greatest crisis that this country has ever faced—the preservation of our constitutional form of government. The proposed subjugation of the Supreme Court to the Executive Department of our Government is not dead. It will be revived in another form. Senator Burke in a late address said: "The real issue to be faced by this country in the next few years is whether we shall continue our present form of democratic government, or be ruled by executive direction."

Sisters, our fathers saved the Union—let us save our Constitution.

I cannot close without expressing my love and appreciation for our dear National President—my sincere thanks to her and to the members of my committee, all of whom so loyally supported me—Harriet Eaton, Nellie Stammel, Frances Linnell, Mabel Coffey, Frances Rohrback and Daisy Kruse—I love them all.

MARGARET HOPKINS WORRELL,

Chairman National Legislative Committee.

REPORT OF NATIONAL MEMORIAL SHRINE COMMISSION

To Frances M. Kuhns, National President,
Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first Annual National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Greetings:

After a very strenuous year of hard work, it is my duty as well as pleasure, to report to you some of the activities performed, although the results are not what had been anticipated.

With the beginning of the year, immediate work was centered upon the Congress and the Library Committee of the House and Senate to whom had been referred the bills S.J. Res. 83 and H.J. Res. 128, hoping to have same considered by said Committees and if possible, reported out, feeling sure that the assurance of support and favorable action expressed in hundreds of letters from Representatives and Senators would secure passage, of bill.

This, however, seemed impossible to secure from the contact made with Chairman of Committee as well as the honorable Representative and Senator who had introduced our bills early in the session although we were willing that our bill be submitted to the Members of the Congress whether favorable or unfavorable action might follow.

This being our second attempt, we now face the alternative of making a third attempt trusting to the plans in mind to secure action as well as a hearing before the Committees which is necessary to secure the objects for which we hope.

A very satisfactory letter to me from the President of the United States conveys very hopeful assurance of careful consideration by him.

I am pleased to report to you that last evening through the efforts and courtesy of Sister Annabel Buchan, I was given the opportunity of making a statement over the air concerning our Memorial Shrine.

I wish to acknowledge the very splendid work by the members of the Commission and the Department Presidents and many other active Sisters of our Order in response to my appeal to contact their Senators and Representatives; outstanding among these being the work of Sister Ethel M. Irish, Sister Laura Critchfield, Sister Frances M. Haskell, Sister Cassea Orsborn, Sister Wynnye Williamson and Sister Sarah Ehrmann whose replies were simply enormous and her ready response to all work required of her has been of great help.

To these and many more my sincere thanks and appreciation are hereby extended.

Before the close of this Convention, I hope to bring to you a most pleasing report which should be an incentive to increase action and co-operation on the part of every member of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The fifty dollars allowed for postage was of some help, twenty-five of which was given to my Secretary and the balance used by myself. Hundreds of letters have been written by me to the members of the Congress—a letter to each Department President and each Past National President. To the latter was also mailed packages of stationery.

While our object has not yet been attained, we feel the prospects are bright as we again place our bill before the Congress.

MARIE J. BUHLER

National Corresponding Secretary

Assuring all that no stone has been left unturned—no suggestions of friends interested, been disregarded as we feel a great work like ours can not be accomplished without disappointments and trials as the work of others on similar projects has indicated.

Our sincere thanks are due the Editor of the Bugle Call for her splendid co-operation in our work.

Trusting your continued support, interest and active co-operation will follow our every effort in the coming year, that your prayers for success may ever be with us that we may succeed in our desire to erect this fitting and sacred Memorial to the Soldiers of the Civil War and all who gave their lives for the preservation of our Union which will include our devoted Army Nurses, so beloved by the Veterans; trusting that you may feel our efforts have not been in vain and that we will yet succeed in this noble work, I am,

Loyally yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

CLARA N. SAWYER.

REPORT OF NATIONAL CORRESPONDENCY SECRETARY

To the National President, Frances M. Kuhns,
Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

First let me thank you for the pleasure and honor of serving on your staff.

Have discharged the duties of my office as I found occasion, and trust that I have fulfilled your trust in me, and have been a credit to the National Body.

Cordially yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

MARIE J. BUHLER,
National Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT

To the National President and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention.

We, your committee have examined the splendid report of our National President, and wish to take this opportunity to thank our beloved President for the wonderful work which she accomplished during her year of service and which she has reported in such a complete and concise manner.

We extend to our beloved National President the grateful appreciation of the Members of our Order.

EMILY J. TOMPKINS,
LIDA E. MANSON,
Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORTS OF NATIONAL SECRETARY AND NATIONAL TREASURER

National President and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention.

Your Committee has examined the reports of Secretary and Treasurer and find them in excellent condition, and wish to commend them for accuracy and efficiency of these splendid Officers.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

CATHERINE DeLACY ROCHE
LILLIAN A. WILSON
ISOLA LINSLEY
LILLIE C. WALL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ALL OTHER OFFICERS REPORTS

To the Officers and Members of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic:

We, your Committee on all other Officers Reports, most respectfully wish to state that we have examined all reports submitted to us and find that all officers have given most careful attention to the work of their respective offices, and that much constructive work has been accomplished.

Most respectfully submitted,

MARTHA J. VAN DUZOR,
JESSIE BYBEE,
ANNA HOLLOWAY
ZELLA WURTZBOCKER,
Committee.

The tellers reported on the ballot for National Council of Administration. Sister Slattery received 111 votes; Sister Schroeder 58 votes; Sister Koehler 39 votes; Sister Marian Crocker 37 votes; Sister Buhler 35 votes; Sister Cothrell 33 votes; Sister Pears 23 votes and Sister Stearns 17 votes. Sister May Slattery elected Chairman with Sisters Catherine Schroeder and Nora Koehler the other two members of the Council. These Sisters accepted the office with thanks.

Our National President announced that she had realized $753.00 on the drawing for National Quilt.

This beautiful Quilt was given by our National President, and won by Mrs. J. O'Hale, 493 Central Avenue, Newark, N. J. On motion of Sister Harriet Eaton, seconded by P.N.P. Clara Sawyer to recess until 8:30 P.M. Carried.

THURSDAY EVENING SESSION

Thursday evening session was called to order by our National President. Pass-word taken. Minutes of Thursday morning session read and approved.

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

To the Fifty-first Annual Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,
Frances M. Kuhns, President:

From our homes in the different parts of the United States, we have journeyed to the beautiful city of Madison, capital of the State of Wisconsin, at the invitation of the Madison Foundation. This invitation was extended by its Chairman, Col. J. W. Jackson, honoring the Grand Army of the Republic and the allied organization, to hold their convention in this city.

We have been told of the beauties of the city for us to enjoy; that there are no gates or keys to the city, but that everything possible for our pleasure would be forth-coming for the asking, and we have found the doors wide open and have been accorded unbounded hospitality. That our Grand Army of the Republic has given the citizens of the city an inspiration and the youth who viewed the parade a new vision of patriotism, was voiced by those who came to enjoy a social hour with us. The profound impression made by the placing of the wreath on the monument of the Confederate soldiers, by the Commander-in-Chief, Col. C. H. Wm. Ruhe was thought to have done more to bind up the wounds of the past and promote a good feeling between the North and the South, than anything that has come to the city in many years.

Inasmuch, as these courtesies have been showered upon our Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the National Body of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, therefore, be it.

Resolved: That we extend our thanks to

Governor LaFollette for opening the Capitol Building for the Reception to our Commander-in-Chief;

Hon. Mayor James Law, for his kindly greeting, and friendliness, and obtaining the high school auditorium for our meeting place;

Col. J. W. Jackson, Chairman Madison Foundation, and his Secretary, Margaret Smith, and his entire committee, for their untiring efforts for our comfort and pleasure;

The Marine Band, WPA Orchestra and Bugler, for the splendid music rendered at the dedication of the Bench in Forest Hill Cemetery at Union Rest;

Hotel Park, and their employees, Mr. McNeil, owner, Mr. McDonald and Mr. Regan his Assistant, for the care of our delegates;

Department of Wisconsin, and Col. Villas Circle of Madison, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, for the breakfast for our National President and her staff, and the complimentary luncheon and the beautiful souvenios for the delegates;

Mrs. Melzner, Secretary to the Grand Army, and Alma Speckner, Department President, Chairladies of the Convention, for the splendid arrangements made for our stay;

Our Soloist and Musician, for their beautiful music;

Board of Education, for the use of the Central High School auditorium for our meetings;

The caretaker and his assistant;

The Madison press for their many items carrying the news through the Associated Press to the far corners of our United States;

And to all who have made our stay such a delightful one, the National President, her staff, and members of the National Body of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic tender their heartfelt appreciation, feeling that the beauties of the City and the charm of the people will ever live in our memory as an outstanding event in our lives.

Be it further resolved:

That a copy of this resolution be sent to the press, to Col. J. W. Jackson, Chairman of the Madison Foundation, and spread on the minutes of this convention.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWINA P. TRIGG,
Chairman, Missouri.

FRANCES M. HASKELL,
Washington.

AMANDA D. HARGIS,
Missouri.

On motion of P.N.P. Sister Van Duzor, seconded by Wynnye G. Williamson, these Resolutions be adopted. Carried.

Minutes of Advisory Council read and action taken upon same.

MINUTES OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL

The meeting of the Advisory Council of the Fifty-first National Convention of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic was called to order by our National President, Frances Martin Kuhns, in Room 324 of the Park Hotel, Madison, Wisconsin, on Monday, September 6th, 1937, at 4:00 P.M.

National Chaplain, Mamie Giroux, led in prayer. Pledge to the Flag, led by National Patriotic Instructor, Margaret H. Worrell.

Roll Call by the National Secretary found all National Officers present and twelve Past National Presidents.

The following questions were considered by the Council and action taken on the same:—

National Treasurer, Ethelyn P. Smith read the amount of funds in the hands of Chairman of Ways and Means Committee, which amounted to $3,713.16.

Motion made by Past National President, Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by Past National President, Martha J. VanDuzor $3,000.00 be invested in Baby Bonds, the balance to be set aside for current expenses of the Shrine. Carried.

Upon motion of Wilma Raman of Illinois, seconded by Clara Smith of Ohio, and carried that Council be sustained.

Motion made by Past National President, Sarah J. Ehrmann, seconded by National Senior Vice President, Orpha Whitaker, that the expense of National Shrine be limited to $100.00 per year, same to be taken from the Shrine fund. Carried.

Upon motion of Mary Barclay of Pennsylvania, seconded by May Masecar of Washington-Alaska, Council be sustained. Carried.

Presented by the Department of Rhode Island

Is it permissable to hold Circle meetings on Sunday? Circle could not get members out on any other day due to distance.

Council decides this is covered by Rules and Regulations, Circles must hold one meeting each month, and that it is not illegal to meet on Sunday.

Motion made by Clara Smith of Ohio, seconded by Lillie C. Wall of Michigan and carried, Council be sustained.

Presented by the Department of Ohio

Is it legal to dispense with Circle meetings during July and August? Council decides this is covered by preceding question, Circles must hold one meeting a month.

Motion made by Mary Weatherbee of California, seconded by Belle Pears of Montana that Council be sustained. Carried.

Presented by the Department of Oregon

That Section No. 2—of Rules and Regulations be recinded. That part refering to the American Creed, and that we do away with the same, and that the Ritual remain as it is now, with reference to the Pledge to the Flag. As the United States Recruiting Service do not use both the pledge to the flag and the American Creed at the same time, as both mean the same. Good Citizenship.

Council decided it was not advisable to make any change in Rules and Regulations.

Motion made by Lillie Wall of Michigan, seconded by Lillie Patterson of Pennsylvania that Council be sustained. Carried.

Is it right for a Circle to accept transfer members, when in so doing, it would cause disbandment of the Circle they were leaving? Council decided this is covered by Rules and Regulations.

Motion made by Harriet Eaton of New York, seconded by Minnie Sietz of California that Council be sustained. Carried.

Should the Department pay the registration fees of the delegates and Past Department Presidents, other than the Department President, to the National Convention? Council decided this is optional with the Department.

Motion made by May Masecar of Washington-Alaska, seconded by Clara Smith of Ohio that Council be sustained. Carried.

Presented by the Department of Pennsylvania

Is it a law that no dispensations are required? Council decided we do not issue Dispensations, same was discontinued some years ago.

Motion made by Emma Baughman of Pennsylvania, seconded by Loretta Newmeyer of Pennsylvania that Council be sustained. Carried.

If a Department Officer has faithfully performed all duties required of her during the year, and is prevented by illness from attending Convention, is she deprived of her honors as a Past Department Officer. Council decided that she is not deprived of her honors.

Motion made by Emily Dubois of Nebraska, seconded by Lillie Wall of Michigan and carried that Council be sustained.

Presented by the Department of New Jersey

Do Circles have Trustees or not? Council decided there is no such office as Trustee's in Circles.

Motion made by Charlotte Brown of Minnesota, seconded and carried Council be sustained.

Presented by the Department of Missouri

The Department of Missouri, ask why the National Organization pay three times to have the National Officers Reports printed, first the General Orders, the Bugle Call and the Journal.

Council decided that as the Proceedings have not been printed in the past two years owing to the lack of funds, it was advisable to print the reports in Bugle Call, by advice of the Council.

Motion made by Frances Dorsey of Michigan, seconded by Harriet Eaton of New York, and carried, Council be sustained.

Presented by National Treasurer, Ethelyn P. Smith

That Rules and Regulations be changed to allow Department Treasurers and Department Secretaries having served five consecutive years to be given a vote in National Convention. Council decides Rules and Regulations remain the same.

Motion made by Frances Dorsey of Michigan, seconded by Martha Chappel of Pennsylvania and carried, Council be sustained.

Motion made by Past National President Ethel Irish, seconded by Past National President Catherine DeLacy Roche, that no person be permitted to use the name of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, with out permission of her Circle, and if this Section was omitted in the Rules and Regulations, it be restored. Carried.

Motion made by Mabel Schilken of Minnesota, seconded by Charlotte Brown and carried, Council be sustained.

Recommendations Presented by
Past National President, Annie M. Michener

That in the future all Pass-words be names for deceased Comrades of the Grand Army, Army Nurses or Battlefields.

Motion made by Past National President Sarah J. Ehrmann, seconded by Sadie Mae Williams of Ohio and carried that this Recommendation be adopted.

Upon motion of May Masecar of Washington-Alaska, seconded by Ethel Cothrell of Michigan and carried, Council be sustained.

That the sum of one dollar for Registration fee is too high, and asked that it be reduced.

Motion made by Frances Haskell of Washington-Alaska, seconded by Mamie Giroux of Illinois, the Registration fee remain the same. Carried.

Upon motion of Clara Smith of Ohio, seconded by Gertrude Walbridge of New York and carried that Council be sustained.

Motion made by Past National President Pearl C. Cooke, seconded by Sadie Mae Williams of Ohio. That we discontinue the sale of Ten Cent Treasurers Bonds, from National to Departments and from Departments to Circles, carried.

Upon motion of Amanda Harges of Missouri, seconded by Effie Thrasher and carried that Council be sustained.

The Following Resolutions were Presented by Past National President Ethel M. Irish

That we budget the principle expenditures of National Proceedings as follows: By eliminating the Roll Call of Departments, motion made by Sadie Mae Williams, seconded by Catherine Schroeder of California, that this Resolution be adopted, carried.

Upon motion of Wilma Raman of Illinois, seconded by Frances Rohrback of Kansas that Council not be sustained. Motion lost.

To omit the printing of Departments Presidents Reports in Journal.

Motion made by Past National President, Annie M. Michener, seconded by Past National President, Josephine Mahar and carried, this resolution be adopted.

Upon motion of Clara Smith of Ohio, seconded by Wilma Raman of Illinois, and carried that Council be sustained.

That we allow no expense for printing National Presidents reports other than in the National Journal.

Motion made by Past National President, Lyda Manson, seconded by Sadie Mae Williams, this resolution be adopted. Carried

Upon motion of Frances Dorsey of Michigan, seconded by Clara Smith of Ohio and carried Council be sustained.

That hereafter the printing of National Journal be limited to $600.00.

Motion made by past National President Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by Gladys Newton, this resolution be adopted. Carried.

On motion of Harriet Eaton of New York, seconded by Frances Rohrback and carried that Council be sustained.

To omit the printing of National Roster. Motion made by Past National President, Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by several to continue the printing of the National Roster. Carried.

Upon motion of Frances Dorsey of Michigan, seconded by Mary Weatherbee of California and carried that Council be sustained.

That hereafter the General Orders be printed in the Bugle Call instead of separately. Motion made by Past National President Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by Past National President Lyda J. Manson, this resolution be adopted. Carried.

Upon motion of Harriet Eaton of New York, seconded by Gertrude Walbridge of New York, that Council be sustained. Motion lost and Council was not sustained.

That the allottment of $75.00 to National President, for organization work be discontinued.

Motion made by Past National President Lyda Manson, seconded by Catherine Schroeder of California, this resolution be adopted. Carried.

Upon motion of Frances Dorsey of Michigan, seconded by Clara Smith of Ohio and carried that Council be sustained.

That the allowance of $1,000.00 for traveling expense for National President, include every trip, except in cases of emergency, when expense for same must be presented at the following Council meeting. Motion made by National Counselor, Wynnye G. Williamson, seconded by Past National President Josephine Mahar, that this resolution be adopted. Motion lost.

National Treasurer Ethelyn P. Smith stated that she had a number of old Junior Rituals on hand and asked permission to give them to the Junior Organizations.

Motion made by National Junior Supervisor, Lillian Clark Cary, seconded by several and carried that Sister Smith's request be granted.

Upon motion made by Frances Dorsey of Michigan, seconded by Martha Chappel of Pennsylvania and carried that Council be sustained.

Our National President thanked the members of the Advisory Council for their careful and attentive consideration of all questions, and the meeting was adjourned.

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

To the National President, Frances M. Kuhns.

We, the Committee on Awards wish to report the following.

Prize to the Department gaining most new members, percentage basis, went to Oregon, with Colorado and Utah close seconds.

Prize given by National President, Frances M. Kuhns, to Department gaining the most new Junior Circles was divided between Pennsylvania and Ohio, each having gained one.

To the Department gaining the most new Circles—No prize, six Departments have one each.

Yours sincerely in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

EDWINA P. TRIGG, Chairman, Mo.
RUBY DEAN, Minn.
EMMA GRUBER, Wis.
CARRIE B. NORTH, Ohio.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BUGLE CALL AWARDS

To Frances M. Kuhns, National President:

The Department of Kansas won the prize of $5.00 given by National Chaplain, Mamie Giroux, for greatest number of renewals and new subscriptions:

MARIE L. HARKINS

National Soloist

Gertrude Walbridge of New York, won the prize of $5.00 given by the Editor, Cassea H. Orsborn for the greatest number of renewals.

Catherine Schroeder of California-Alaska, won the Quilt given by National President, Frances M. Kuhns, for the greatest number of new subscriptions.

Col. Howard Circle of San Diego, California, won the prize of $5.00 given by Mr. Orsborn, for the fewest members dropped.

The Gold recognition pin given by the Editor, Cassea Orsborn, won by Clara Snyder, Ohio.

The Editor has also given forty-three silk desk flags to those enrolled 50%.

Respectfully submitted,

CATHERINE DeLACY ROCHE
LILLIAN CLARK CARY

REPORT ON NATIONAL QUILT

I want to again express my sincere thanks to every Sister of the National Organization for the part you had in helping to raise the $753.00 turned over to our National Treasurer, Sister Ethelyn P. Smith on the Quilt, the gift of your National President, Frances Martin Kuhns.

Am pleased to report all National Officers, Past National Presidents, Department Presidents and members of the various committees were 100 per cent.

The following is the report of the Departments:

Departments

New Jersey	$43.00
Pennsylvania	60.50
California and Nevada	20.50
Illinois	52.50
Kansas	25.00
Ohio	21.00
Iowa	35.00
Oklahoma	14.00
Kentucky	5.00
Nebraska	18.50
Massachusetts	19.00
Minnesota	30.00
New York	41.00
Indiana	30.00
Colorado	12.50
Michigan	20.00
Wisconsin	25.50
West Virginia	7.50
Washington-Alaska	4.50
Missouri	40.00
Oregon	8.50
Maine	7.50
Connecticut	3.00
Rhode Island	16.00
Vermont	9.05
Montana	14.15

Idaho	2.00
Florida	12.50
Utah	11.60
New Hampshire	12.50
Potomac	10.00

Sister Kuhns thanked her Officers, Past National Presidents and all who helped to make her year a success. Minutes of Thursday afternoon read and approved. Our Soloist Marie Harkins sang "The End of a Perfect Year."

There being no further business, we proceeded with the Installation of Officers. Past National President, Catherine DeLacy Roche, was chosen Installing Officer with Past National Presidents Josephine Mahar and Pearl Cooke as Installing Conductors, and Lillie Patterson, Department President of Pennsylvania and Frances Dorsey of Michigan as color-bearers.

The Installation Service was most impressively performed when the following Officers were conducted into office:

National President—Orpha Whitaker, New Jersey, appointed Helen M. Lehman of New Jersey as National Secretary.

National Senior Vice President—Edwina P. Trigg, Missouri.

National Junior Vice President—Harriet Eaton, New York.

National Treasurer—Ethelyn P. Smith, Nebraska.

National Chaplain—Eunice Rash, Kansas.

National Patriotic Instructor—Alma Speckner, Wisconsin.

National Registrar—Theo Redfern, Rhode Island.

Our newly installed National President, Sister Whitaker, thanked Sister Roche and her assistants for the capable manner in which she had installed the Officers. Sister Whitaker thanked the Convention for the great honor conferred upon her and pledged her loyal support to the Order.

Sister Kuhns congratulated Sister Whitaker and pledged her support, wished her success and placed a Gold Regulation badge upon her breast, to be worn by her during her Administration, and same to be passed on to her successor. Gifts and flowers were presented to the newly installed Officers. A very unusual sight was Sister Whitaker's own sister and brother the first to greet her after the Installation and they presented her with beautiful flowers.

Announcement was made that the Joint Council meeting would be held in Headquarters rooms at 10:00 A.M. Friday.

The Convention sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again." Benediction pronounced by National Chaplain, Eunice Rash and the Fifty-first National Convention was declared closed to meet next year at time and place designated by the Grand Army of the Republic.

MAY BISSEL SLATTERY,
National Secretary.

FRANCES MARTIN KUHNS,
National President.

MINUTES OF JOINT MEETING OF ADVISORY COUNCIL

The joint meeting of the Advisory Council of the Fifty-first National Convention, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, was called to order by our National President, on Friday morning, September 10th, 1937, in Headquarters room at Park Hotel.

The Lords Prayer was repeated. Pledge to the Flag, led by National Patriotic Instructor, Alma Speckner.

Motion made by Past National President, Catherine DeLacy Roche, seconded by Past National President, Martha J. Van Duzor that National President Frances M. Kuhns have power to take care of all bills. Carried.

Motion made by Past National President, Pearl Cooke, seconded by several that all ten cent bonds be destroyed. Carried.

Motion made by National Secretary, May B. Slattery, seconded by National Treasurer, Ethelyn P. Smith that Sister Maybelle Nissen receive $25.00 for her splendid help during the Convention. Sister Marie Harkins, our Soloist and Lillie Avison, Musician, receive $15.00 each for their services. Carried.

Motion made by Past National President, Josephine Mahar, seconded by several that the Tablet be placed in the Willard Hotel in Washington, D. C., in January 1938, same time as the Women's Patriotic Conference on National Defense meet in Washington, D. C. Carried.

Motion made by Past National President, Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by Past National President, Clara N. Sawyer, that our National Counselor, Frances M. Kuhns be Chairman of Committee to arrange for the placing of Tablet. Carried.

The following committee was appointed: Frances M. Kuhns, Chairman; Annie M. Michener, Margaret H. Worrell, Emily J. Tompkins and Edwina Trigg.

The newly installed National President, Orpha Whitaker asked for some information regarding the Resolution presented by Past National President, Pearl Cooke, about the Gold Badge to be placed in the display case, in the Memorial Room on the second floor of the Amphitheatre at Arlington Cemetery. Sister Cooke offered her gold badge. Sister Michener stated she had a gold badge that had not been worn and would be glad to give it for that purpose.

Motion made by Past National President, Martha J. Van Duzor, seconded by several that we accept Sister Michener's badge. Carried.

The meeting was then turned over to the newly installed National President, Orpha Whitaker.

There being no further business a motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

MAY BISSEL SLATTERY,

National Secretary.

RADIO PROGRAM

Madison Wisconsin, Station WIBA

Prayer by Madison Minister

Madison Drum and Bugle Corps Played—"When Johnny Comes Marching Home"

Solo—"My Maryland" by Marie S. Harkins, National Soloist

Address—"The Constitution" by Helen Lehman,
Past National President

This week the Grand Army of the Republic, with its Allied Orders, is meeting in its 71st Annual Encampment. The men and women so convened have traveled here from every state in the Union.

I address you as the representative of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, one of the Allied Orders. Our membership is comprised of the families of the men who fought in the Union Army in the Civil War, 1861-1865. We are the mothers, wives, daughters, nieces and grand nieces, the blood kin of the men who fought to preserve the Union of the States.

Our work is concerned with fostering the spirit of patriotism with which these men were imbued when they went out from their homes to defend the principles of their great Commander-in-Chief, Abraham Lincoln, and to preserve the sanctity of the Constitution. We assist, materially and spiritually, those of the veterans' families who may need it, and last, but not least, we endeavor to keep green in the hearts of Americans, the memories of their service and sacrifices, given so generously that we may enjoy forever the blessings possible to humanity only in these great United States.

The Boys in Blue that you see in Madison today are the precious remnant of a stalwart army. Salute them in reverence and respect. To see them, to speak with them is indeed a privilege you will treasure in the years to come when they are no longer with us.

You owe them a debt of gratitude that today we are a nation of United States, that we live and prosper under a form of government which is a miracle of democracy and free will.

It is your duty to repay that debt. Repay it in a renewal of enthusiastic patriotism; with a pledge of finer citizenship. With a prayer and a hymn of praise in our hearts, let us carry on in a concerted effort for a greater and better United States of America.

In closing I wish to thank the Officials and Citizens of Madison for the many courtesies and kindnesses extended so graciously to our "Boys in Blue."

Solo—"Garden of Old Fashion Roses" by Marie S. Harkins

Dr. Olo Nelson Re-enacted his hike from Camp Randall

Master of Ceremonies of Station WIBA asked very interesting questions of War from Comrade Nelson and Comrade Patterson, two of our oldest Veterans at Convention.

Madison Drum and Bugle Corps Played "Star Spangle Banner"

FEDERATED PATRIOTIC SOCIETY

The eighteenth annual meeting of the National Federated Patriotic Societies was held in the Crystal ballroom of the Loraine Hotel Sunday afternoon, the fifth of September. Mrs. Mary J. Love, National President, presided and greeted the members and called for the pledge to the Flag, after which the invocation was pronounced by National Chaplain, Wynnye G. Williamson.

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift, we thank Thee for the blessed privilege of meeting here this afternoon. We thank Thee for manifold blessings, for a free country and a united people and pray that everlasting peace may rest upon the people of this nation. We thank Thee for the Grand Army of the Republic, and ask Thy richest blessing upon its members and its head, that he may do only that which is pleasing in Thy sight. Bless this Federation of Patriotic Societies and especially do we ask that Thy blessing may rest upon the one who presides today. Give her wisdom and understanding that she may lead us aright and that we do that only which will be pleasing and acceptable to Thee. Be with the organizations represented here, that we may grow in grace and do Thy will. Bless the homes represented and be with those who because of infirmities or illness are unable to be here. Be with us all Heavenly Father, purify our hearts, elevate our desires, keep us near Thee so that when we pray, we may earnestly and sincerely say—Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil for Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever.—Amen.

After the roll call of officers and departments, distinguished guests were presented, among these Past Commander-in-Chief of the G.A.R., James E. Jewell; Mrs. Ida Heacock Baker, National President of the W. R. C.; Mrs. Frances M. Kuhns, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic; Mrs. Ida L. Lewis, National President of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans, as well as many Past National officers of the Federation and these patriotic societies. The minutes of the 1936 meeting were read and reports of officers and departments followed and were of unusual interest. Plans were made for the coming year's work along patriotic lines and the election of officers resulted in the following being chosen to guide the destinies of the organization: President, Mrs. Ida L. Lewis, National President of the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans; Vice President, Park Yengling, Past Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Veterans; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Mary J. Love, Past National President of W. R. C.; Chaplain, Mrs. Frances M. Kuhns, National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic; Patriotic Instructor, Mrs. Ida H. Baker, National President of the W. R. C. Before adjournment to the Pompeian room for the annual banquet, Past Commander-in-Chief James E. Jewell made a brilliant address.

GREETINGS AND TELEGRAMS

Santa Barbara, Calif.
August 28, 1937.

To My National President,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,
Frances Martin Kuhns.

Dear Sister:

I am sending my sincere greetings to you, because I am not physically able to leave home. My Physician advises me against taking the risk of a long trip at this time. I have lived all year in the thought that I would join you in your Convention, and I am greatly disappointed to be obliged to remain at home. I wish for you a perfect Convention.

My congratulations for all good work accomplished this year, and may your last honors of deliberation be marked with success. Kind remembrance to all Past National Presidents, Officers, and Delegates, Treasurer and Secretary, May B. Slattery.

Sincerely in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

CARRIE V. SHERRIFF,
Past National President—1892.

Philadelphia, Pa.
August 30, 1937.

To the National President, Officers of the
Fifty-first National Convention,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Dear National President:

I send my loyal greeting with good wishes for a pleasant and profitable Convention.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

EMMA M. SHARKEY,
Past Department President of Pennsylvania.

Greensburg, Pa.
September 6, 1937

Mrs. Frances Martin Kuhns, National President,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,
Care May B. Slattery, Park Hotel.

Dear Mother:

We are sorry we are unable to attend your Convention but send our best wishes for a happy and successful one. Love,

BILL AND HARRIET.

Tampa, Florida.
September 7, 1937.

Frances M. Kuhns, National President,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.
Care Park Hotel, Madison, Wisconsin.

Dear Frances:

I wish you a fine Convention, sorry I could not come. DR is sick. Lovingly,

MAY D. CASWELL,
Department Councilor,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Maywood, Illinois.
September 7, 1937.

Mrs. Frances M. Kuhns, Park Hotel:

Congratulations on a most successful year. Your loving namesake,

TOODIE.

Buffalo, N. Y.
September 6, 1937.

National President,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,
Headquarters Hotel, Madison, Wis.

Due to unforeseen circumstances it is impossible to present our greetings in person. Accept our sincere best wishes for a most happy and constructive Convention and our pledge of continued cooperation.

LAURIE SCHERTLE, National President,
Ladies Auxiliary Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Jeannette, Pa.
September 7, 1937.

Mrs. Frances Martin Kuhns, National President,
Park Hotel.

Greetings:

I wish for you a harmonious and prosperous Convention.

Lovingly yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

SADIE ABBOTT, Treasurer.

Jeannette, Pa.

Mrs. Frances Kuhns, National President.
Care Mrs. May B. Slattery.
Sec. Park Hotel.

Best wishes for a successful Convention, wish we could be with you.

KATHRYN AND BOW.

Pittsburg, Kansas.
September 4, 1937.

Mrs. Frances Kuhns, National President,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.
Park Hotel, Madison, Wis.

Unable to attend National meeting, heartsick with disappointment, give beloved Cora room mate. Please extend loving greetings to Sisters Department Wisconsin and every Sister attending Fifty-first National Convention. I send special love to you and all Past National Presidents, wishing for our Order happy successful meeting.

MARGARET GRANDLE,
Past National President.

Jeannette, Pa.
September 6, 1937

Mrs. Frances Kuhns, National President.
Care Mrs. May B. Slattery, Sec. Park Hotel.

We are thinking about you and wishing you luck. Love,

KITTY-LOU, MARY-ANN AND TILLIE.

Washington, D. C.
September 24, 1937.

Mrs. May B. Slattery,
Past National Secretary,
Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,
1120 Allegheny Avenue,
N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Slattery:

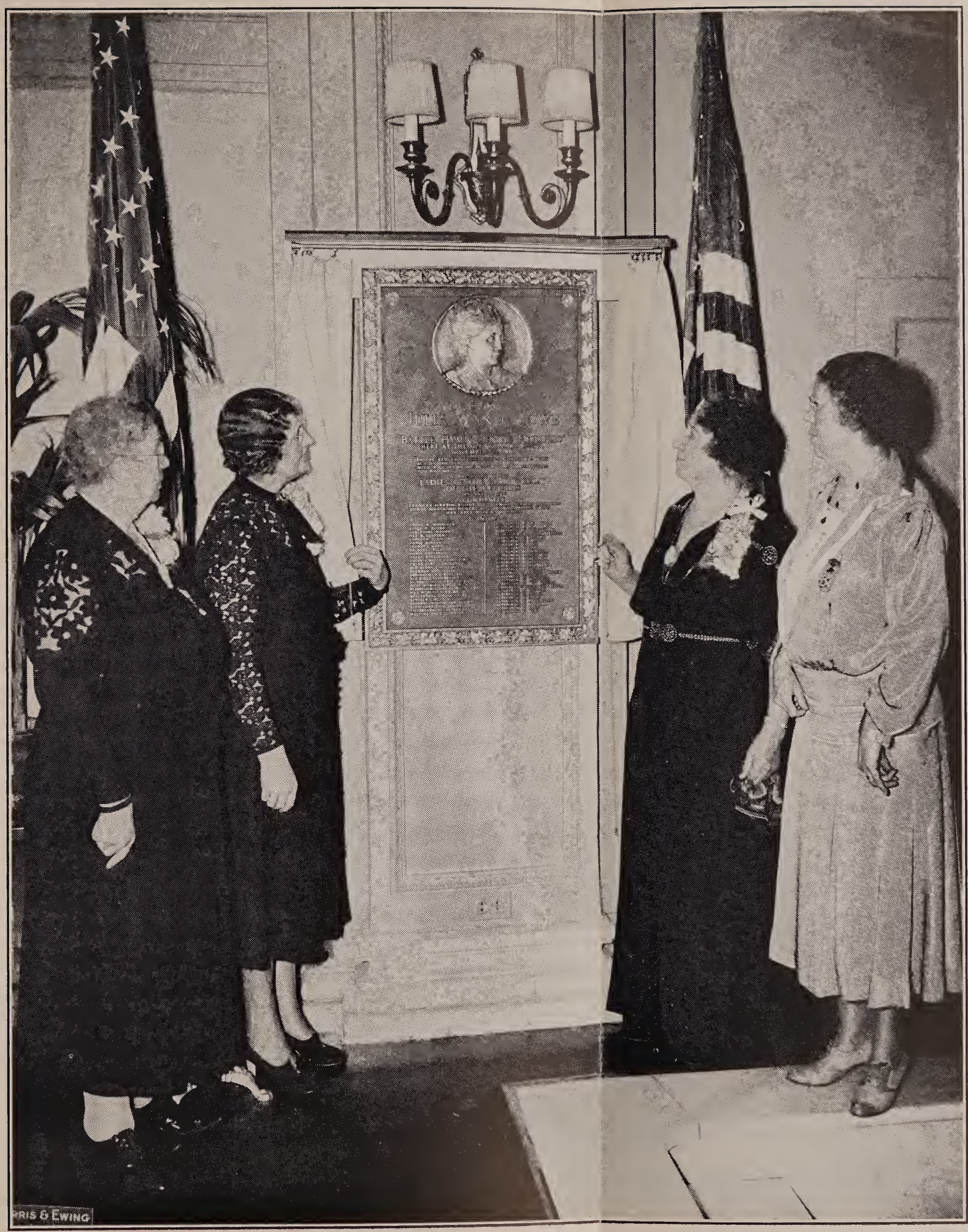
This will acknowledge and thank you for your letter of September 18th, relative to the placing of a tablet in The Willard Hotel in memory of Julia Ward Howe, the author of the Battle Hymn of the Republic.

We appreciate your thought and will be more than pleased to designate a place for your tablet if someone on the Committee will contact us.

Again with many thanks, I am,

Cordially yours,

H. P. SOMERVILLE,
Managing Director.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General Orders

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

SWISSVALE, PENNSYLVANIA

October 15, 1936.

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 1

I. At the Fiftieth National Convention, our Golden Jubilee, held in the beautiful City of Washington, D. C., I was elected and duly installed National President of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic. For which I thank you. I therefore assume the duties and responsibilities of the office and ask the co-operation of all my Sisters, and hope we may have a most successful year for our beloved order.

National Headquarters are established at Ladies G. A. R. Home, Swissvale, Pa.

II. The following officers were installed by Past National President, Annie M. Michener of Yonkers, N. Y., assisted by Catherine DeLacy Roche, Past National President of Pennsylvania and Clara N. Sawyer, Past National President of California. Anna Good, Department President of Pennsylvania and Frances Haskell, National C. of A. of Washington, acting as Escorts, with 66 Delegates of Pennsylvania wearing their Gold Costumes and acting as Guards of Honor, the installation was both beautiful and impressive.

National President

Frances M. Kuhns.....Ladies G.A.R. Home, Swissvale, Pa.

National Senior Vice President

Orpha Whitaker.....125 Dubley St., Camden, N. J.

National Junior Vice President

Catherine G. Schroeder.....1312 West 11th St., Los Angeles, Calif.

National Treasurer

Ethelyn P. Smith.....1226 No. 34th St., Omaha, Nebr.

National Chaplain

Mamie Giroux.....520 N. Troy St., Chicago, Ill.

National Patriotic Instructor

Margaret H. Worrell.....515 Clifton Terrace, E., Washington, D. C.

National Registrar

Theo Redfern.....147 Greenwood St., Auburn, R. I.

National Counselor

Wynnye G. Williamson.....520 Green St., Parkersburg, W. Va.

National Council of Administration

Gladys W. Newton.....1033 Columbia Blvd., Charleston, W. Va.
Frances H. Haskell.....620 N. Star St., Tacoma, Wash.
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Editor—Bugle Call

Cassie Hopper Orsborne.....517 E. Main St., Weiser, Idaho

National Junior Supervisor

Lillian Clarke Cary.....432 Booth St., Dubuque, Iowa

National Secretary

Mae B. Slattery.....1120 Allegheny Ave., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

National Inspector

Effie M. Thrasher.....1446 Sixth Ave., Des Moines, Iowa

National Corresponding Secretary

Marie J. Buhler.....68 Arthur St., Yonkers, N. Y.

Assistant National Corresponding Secretary

Ida Wright.....508 Lee St., Evanston, Illinois

National Press Correspondent

Gertrude M. Walbridge.....57 Terrace Park, Rochester, N. Y.

Assistant National Press Correspondent

Ethel Cottrell.....Ivanrest and Prairie Road, Grandville, Mich.

National Musician

Lillian Avison.....4112 Main St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

National Soloist

Marie Harkins.....321 Meridan St., Mt. Washington, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Assistant Patriotic Instructors

Minnie F. Seitz.....3312 San Jose Ave., San Francisco, Calif.
Myrta Nichols.....2216 White St., Dubuque, Iowa
Ella Berkemeier.....73 Wise St., Akron, Ohio
Freeda Peterson.....214 Clay St., Dallas, Oregon
Marion P. Crocker.....336 Sixth Ave., St. Petersburg, Florida
Emma F. Hayward.....Washington, D. C.

National Legislative Committee

Margaret H. Worrell.....515 Clifton Terrace, E., Washington, D. C.
Harriett W. Eaton.....154 Radford St., Yonkers, N. Y.
Nellie K. Stammel.....1428 West 25th St., Indianapolis, Ind.
Frances C. Linnell.....Plymouth, Mass.
Mable Y. Coffey.....2311 W. Colorado Ave., Colorado Springs, Colo.
Frances Rohrback.....2232 Richmond Ave., Kansas City, Kans.
Daisy L. Kruse.....1232 Fourth St., Petersburg, Florida

National Memorial Committee

Edwina P. Triggs.....3122 Chestnut Ave., Kansas City, Mo.
Maybelle S. Nissen.....23 Sunshine Road, Upper Darby, Pa.
Laura Critchfield.....Princeton, Ind.
Wilma M. Raman.....1233 W. Edwards St., Springfield, Ill.
Alma Morehouse.....Kenosha, Wis.
Emma Jones.....4508 Alice Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
Sadie Michaels.....465 Kershaw, Ogden, Utah
Gussie L. Marin.....8760 Sand Point Way, Seattle, Wash.

Memorial Shrine Commission

Clara N. Sawyer, Chairman.....2182 Julia St., San Diego, Calif.
All Past National Presidents.
Margaret H. Worrell, Sec.....515 Clifton Ter., E., Washington, D. C.

Memberships and Organizations Committee

Ola Dickel, Chairman, West Virginia
Mary Barclay, Pennsylvania
Eunice Rash, Kansas
Belle Pears, Montana
Ruby Dean, Minneapolis
Ida Goodrich, New Jersey
Bertha Moon, Rhode Island
Frieda M. Fletcher, Vermont
Elizabeth M. Cain, Kentucky
Mary E. Yale, Connecticut
Amy E. Robinson, New Hampshire
Emma Gruber, Wisconsin

Bugle Call

III. Sisters, let us make this the Banner Year for the Bugle Call. I am going to ask every member of our Order, if possible, to send her subscription at **once** or her renewal to Sister Cassie Hopper Orsborne, our Editor, at 517 East Main Street, Weiser, Idaho and by so doing, you will help our National Fund. The Prizes offered will be published in the November Bugle Call and in General Order No. 2.

IV. Department Secretaries will **please notify** at once, Gladys W. Newton, Past National Secretary, 1033 Columbia Boulevard, Charleston, West Virginia, of all Senior and Junior Circles organized from September, 1935 to 1936, so as prizes can be awarded. Unless they receive this information they cannot determine the winners.

V. National password accompanies this order.

VI. Department Presidents are requested to forward to the National President immediately, names and addresses of sisters whom they would recommend for National appointments; also Rosters and General Orders.

VII. Department Quarterly Reports must be forwarded to the National Secretary, together with checks or money orders made to the order of the National Treasurer, Ethelyn Smith, 1226 North 34th Street, Omaha, Nebr. All orders for supplies must be accompanied by money order or check and forwarded direct to the National Treasurer.

VIII. It shall be the duty of Department Presidents and Presidents of Circles under National Jurisdiction to approve the quarterly reports before they are sent to National Headquarters, thus enabling our National Officers to promptly and efficiently conduct this important branch of the work of our Order.

IX. Department Patriotic Instructors, Chaplains and Registrars will immediately forward to their respective National officers, their names and addresses. The National officers must be notified promptly of any change in address of Department officers under their jurisdiction. This also applies to Circles under National jurisdiction.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF DEPARTMENT OFFICERS 1936-1937

New Jersey

Pres. Ida A. Goodrich, 7 Tonnele Avenue, Jersey city.
Secy. Anna C. Smith, 235 Fairmont Avenue, Newark.
Treas. Henrietta M. Cline, 16 Harvard Ave., Collingwood.

Pennsylvania

Pres. Anna Good, 319 Meadow Street, Williamsport.
Secy. Grace Henninger, Trout Run.
Treas. Marie L. Harkins, 321 Meridan St., Mt. Washington, Pittsburgh.

California-Nevada

Pres. Nancy J. Balsdon, 515 Haas Avenue San Leandro.
Secy. Minnie R. McClelland, 720 Steiner St., San Francisco.
Treas. Mertie A. Perkins, 5029 Halldale Ave., Los Angeles.

Illinois

Pres. Fredricka Molter, 1311 S. Float St., Freeport.
Secy. Lula Walbaum, 1238 S. High Street, Freeport.
Treas. Mayme Hoellen, 1842 Larchmont Ave., Chicago.

Kansas

Pres. Christine Miller, 906 Morton St., Great Bend.
Secy. Edna C. Younkin, Great Bend.
Treas. Lucy Haines, Chanute.

Ohio

Pres. Alberta Carothers, 115 W. Third St., East Liverpool.
Secy. Nora Koehler, 106 N. Third Street, Martins Ferry.
Treas. Lee Ellenwood, 63 N. Union Street, Akron.

Iowa

Pres. Zella G. Chaloupka, 440 West 14th St., Dubuque.
Secy. Joanna Roland, 1170 Main Street, Dubuque.
Treas. Edna Swan, 823 N. Sixth Street, Burlington.

Oklahoma

Pres. Grace Mount, 513 W. Owen, El Reno.
Secy. Elizabeth Sterns, 601 N. Chocton, El Reno.
Treas. Bertha Hodgkinson, 1005 Sunset Drive, El Reno.

Kentucky

Pres. Florence Gaddie, 676 Armory Place, Louisville.
Secy. Essie D. Mack, 1642 W. St. Catherine, Louisville.
Treas. Ophelia Clemmons, 1930 Cedar St., Louisville.

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Pres. Mable Way, 4734 Adams Street, Lincoln.
Secy. Alta I. Slonecker, 4443 St. Paul, Lincoln.
Treas. Lydia Vasholz, 308 N. Main Street, Fremont.

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Pres. Ethel C. Ross, 107 Day St., Fitchburg.
Secy. Annie T. Santos, 22 Preston Street Wakefield.
Treas. Stella I. Frost, 187 Mill Street, Haverhill.

Minnesota

Pres. Maude L. Simons, 1420 Charles St., St. Paul.
Secy. Della Johnson, 1084 Marion Street, St. Paul.
Treas. Charlotte Brown, 116 East Fifth St., Duluth.

New York

Pres. Ida B. Ball, Box 50, Nedrow.
Secy. Mary Schmeltz, 138 Hickok Avenue, Syracuse.
Treas. Ada Collamer, 1826 Guilderland, Schenectady.

Indiana

Pres. Ida Rushton, 1232 Carrolton Ave., Indianapolis.
Secy. Nellie Stammel, 1428 West 25th St., Indianapolis.
Treas. Bessie Hart, 527 N. Noble Street, Indianapolis.

Colorado-Wyoming

Pres. Dora Peery, Box 666, Rocky Ford, Colorado.
Secy. Eva Lovejoy, R. F. D. 3, Rocky Ford, Colorado.
Treas. Effie Gipson, 312 University Blvd., Denver, Colo.

Michigan

Pres. Lillie C. Wall, 2421 Fourth Avenue, Detroit.
Secy. Lillie G. Bartlett, 4764 Gass Avenue, Detroit.
Treas. A. Blanche Babcock, 658 Orgen Ave., Benton Harbor.

Wisconsin

Pres. Emma Gruber, 1127 North 21st St., Milwaukee.
Secy. Mildred Hope, 3474 South Indiana Ave., Milwaukee.
Treas. Laverne Marquissee, 7108 27th Ave., Kenosha.

West Virginia

Pres. Verna Scears, 1300 Center, Moundsville.
Secy. Hattie Martin, R. F. D. 3, Cambridge, Ohio.
Treas. Anna V. Rector, 315 S. Second St., Clarksburg.

Washington-Alaska

Pres. May N. Bush, Riverside Avenue, Hoquiam.
Secy. Hazel Giles, 428 Chenault Avenue, Hoquiam.
Treas. Dove Krapp, 508 North 80th Street, Seattle.

Missouri

Pres. Emma Jones, 4508 Alice Avenue, St. Louis.
Secy. Adele Newman, 1915 A De Sota Ave., St. Louis.
Treas. Helen Boose, 6215 Clifton Avenue, St. Louis.

Oregon

Pres. Bessie Roe, 325 N. W. 17th Street, Portland.
Secy. Rose Garrison, Rt. 8, Box 820, Portland.
Treas. Stella Keller, 8434 S. E. Seventh St., Portland.

Connecticut

Pres. Evelyn Stillwagen, 716 Lafayette, Bridgeport.
Secy. Hattie Beckwith, 712 Washington St., West Haven.
Treas. Phoebe Simmons, 556 First Avenue, West Haven.

Maine

Pres. Ola Ames, 13 School Street, Vinalhaven.
Secy. Nina Ames, 13 School St., Vinalhaven.
Treas. Blanche Curtis, R. F. D., Portland.

Rhode Island

Pres. Hazel G. McKinzie, 291 Vermont, Providence.
Secy. Ruth E. Moon, 1 Jillson St., Providence.
Treas. Emily E. Lewis, 1 Beach Avenue, Auburn.

Vermont

Pres. Vera M. Lewis, South Barre.
Secy. Kathryn Heath, 16 Nelson Street, Barre.
Treas. Mary Brunelle, Tunbridge.

Montana

Pres. Grace Liddell, 618 Locust, Anaconda.
Secy. May Phillips, 611 Maple Street, Anaconda.
Treas. Jessie Christensen, 3213 Fifth, N. Great Falls.

Idaho

Pres. Ollie M. Smith, R. F. D. 1, Weiser.
Secy. Clara Burdell, Emmett.
Treas. Mary Trinkey, Hunden.

Florida

Pres. May D. Caswell, 5210 Central Ave., Tampa.
Secy. Muriel Friedel, St. Claud Street, St. Claud.
Treas. Laura A. Martin, St. Claud Street, St. Claud.

Utah

Pres. Sadie J. Michaels, 645 Kershaw, Ogden.
Secy. Maud Ward, 752 Twenty-third Street, Ogden.
Treas. Dora Mae Mowbray, 1050 Twenty-seventh St., Ogden.

New Hampshire

Pres. Edith A. Cole, 10 Allds St., Nashua.
Secy. Harriet Spaulding, 10 Grand Avenue, Nashua.
Treas. Edith M. McLane, 97 Morrill, Laconia.

Potomac
(Washington, D. C.)

Pres. Margaret H. Worrell, 515 E. Clifton Terrace.
Secy. Jessie F. Thomas, 2 Glendale Ave., Temple Park Alexandria.
Treas. Eva S. McBride, 3162 17th St., N. W.

CIRCLES UNDER NATIONAL JURISDICTION

August Willich
(Louisville, Kentucky)

Pres. Pearl Reister, 4206 S. Third Street.
Secy. Mary Williams, 2238 W. Jefferson Street.
Treas. Elizabeth Cain, 1712 S. Second Street.

Charles Summer
(Wilmington, Delaware)

Pres. Mary E. Johnson, 314 E. 11th Street.
Secy. Ada J. Anderson, 1002 Wilson Street.
Treas. Sadie Murry, 403 E. Tenth Street.

General Stanley
(San Antonio, Texas)

Pres. Elizabeth Soule, 403 Limares Street.
Secy. Eula Flannagan, 102 Berkshire Street.
Treas. Stella Loomis, 631 Cedar Street.

General Custer
(Chamberlain, South Dakota)

Pres. Sophia Bartlett.
Secy. Mary Wilbur Bailey.
Treas. Stella L. Pilger.

Ransom Circle
(Natchez, Mississippi)

Pres. S. A. Banks, 9th and St. Catherine Streets.
Secy. Emma Simmons, 209 St. Marys Street.
Treas. Mamie Burns, North Pine Street.

It is with deep regret that we record the passing of our Past National Commander-in-Chief, Samuel B. Van Sant. To his family we extend our heartfelt sympathy. To any of our members who have been called upon to part with loved ones, the National body extends deepest and sincere sympathy.

X. I wish to extend my congratulations and best wishes to the Commander-in-Chief, C. H. William Ruhe, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; National President of the Women's Relief Corps, Ida Hecock Baker, Kansas; National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Adelle Corman Murphy, New York; Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Wm. Allen Dyer, New York; Auxiliary of Sons of Veterans of the Civil War, Ida L. Lewis, Wisconsin; National President of Army Nurses; National President Federated Patriotic Societies; National President of Betsy Ross.

Trusting this administration may be one of splendid co-operation in all organizations.

XI. In closing this, my first General Order, I want to express my thanks for the honor conferred on me by the Fiftieth National Convention. I fully realize with this honor come great responsibilities, but from congratulations, good wishes and the pledges of co-operation from my many splendid sisters, I am sure that we will have a most successful year for our Beloved Order. And I assure you my

one aim will be to guard and protect the interests of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Sincerely yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

FRANCES MARTIN KUHNS,
National President.

Attest:
MAE B. SLATTERY,
National Secretary.

"The road of life is part up hill,"
Shadows come as shadows will,
But what do I care, gray skies or blue
As long as I have "God" and you."

October 15, 1936.

The following are the Recommendations and Decisions of the Fiftieth Annual National Convention of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic held at Washington, D. C. and are hereby promulgated.

I. **Recommendations by**

NATIONAL PRESIDENT

1. That this Convention create an appointive office of Junior Supervisor who shall be a Past National President to study our Junior problem; have literature setting forth plans for organization and conduct of Junior Circles and that our Junior ritual be revised to conform with the ideas of the founders of this work.

Motion made by Past National President, Sister Sarah J. Ehrmann, seconded by Past National President, Lida Manson to adopt this recommendation. Carried.

Council sustained.

Moved by Past National President, Emily Tompkins, seconded by Past National President, Helen Lehman, that revision of Junior Ritual be left with the Revision Committee and the proposed revised ritual be submitted to Advisory Council of 1937. Carried.

Council sustained.

2. That hereafter the Department Senior Vice-President and Junior Vice-President be a Past Circle President.

Moved by Past National President, Clara N. Sawyer, seconded by National Senior Vice-President, Effie Thrasher, that we amend Rules and Regulations, Article IV, Section 1 of Chapter III to conform with this recommendation and also Chapter IV, Article IV, Section 1 to read a member must be a Past Department President to be eligible to the office of National President, Senior and Junior Vice-Presidents.

Carried.

Council sustained.

3. That the trade-mark of the Bugle Call be kept in the office of the Editor of the Bugle Call.

Moved by National Treasurer, Maybelle Nissen, seconded by several to adopt this recommendation. Carried.

Council sustained.

4. That this Convention make clear to the membership which Officer makes report to National Inspector and what blank is used for that purpose.

Past National President, Catherine Roche moved, seconded by Orpha Whitaker of National Council of Administration, that Department President makes report as covered in Chapter II, Article XIV, Section 3 and that plan for inspection blanks be referred to Committee on Revision of blanks. Carried.

Council sustained.

5. That this Convention decide for what purpose the funds collected by Ways and Means Committee are to be used.

Council decides this fund is for the purpose of establishing a Memorial Shrine at Washington.

Council sustained.

Moved by Past National President, Emily Tompkins, seconded by Past National President, Margaret Grandle, that the amount of $50.00 be set for temporary expense of Memorial Shrine Commission. Carried.

Council sustained.

II. **Presented by**

DEPARTMENT OF POTOMAC

Whereas, for years past it has been noted by delegates to National Convention that due to the time consumed in Convention through the presentation of gifts many delegates have been compelled to leave without casting their votes for candidates and,

Whereas, election of National Officers is a very important part of our National Conventions, therefore BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of the Potomac request the National Body to rule that hereafter all gifts be bestowed at the Headquarters of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic at a designated time before convening or immediately after adjournment of sessions, thus enabling all delegates to transact the business for which they were elected.

Moved by Past National President, Margaret Grandle, seconded by Past National President Cora Rowling, this be adopted. Carried.

Council sustained.

Whereas the National Convention of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic held in Rochester in August, 1934, it was ordered that the National have a wreath placed upon the tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery at the time of the National Defense meeting and whereas Abraham Lincoln, our martyred Civil War President; General Benjamin Franklin Stephen-

son, the founder of the Grand Army and the Tomb of the Unknown Civil War Dead are nearer and dearer to the hearts of our membership—BE IT RESOLVED that our National President have wreaths placed in Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D. C., on February 12th; Army Day have one placed upon Stephenson Monument and on Memorial Day have a wreath upon the Tomb of the Unknown Civil War Dead in Arlington.

Council decides that this matter be left in the hands of Department of Potomac. Carried.

Council sustained.

III. **Presented by**
NEW JERSEY

Can a presiding Officer vote?

Council decides this is covered by Rules and Regulations that a Presiding Officer can vote in a ballot election.

Council sustained.

IV. **Presented by**
DEPARTMENT OF MAINE

Is it permissable to use a working Certificate of Charter which may be carried from place to place more easily than a framed charter to make our meetings legal?

Council decides this is covered by Rules and Regulations and that Charter must be taken.

Council sustained.

If so, who shall issue same?

Council decides no such certificate is issued.

V. **Presented by**
DEPARTMENT OF RHODE ISLAND

We, the Department of Rhode Island, do hereby recommend that the by-laws be changed so that the Past Department Secretaries and Treasurers be allowed to attend and vote at the Advisory Council meetings.

Council decides not advisable to make any change in Rules and Regulations.

Council sustained.

VI. **Presented by**
DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA

The Department of Indiana at their Department Convention held in Bloomington, June 20th, voted to petition the National to change our ritual to provide that the Senior Vice-President declare the ballot upon examination.

Moved by Past National President, Margaret Grandle, seconded by Past National President, Emily Tompkins, that ritual remain the same but the Senior Vice-President has the right to challenge the declaration of the President if it does not conform with the result of the ballot.

Carried.

Council sustained.

VII. **Presented by**

DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO

Understanding that the money sent from Idaho be used for a Memorial Shrine, we of the 27th Annual Department Convention held in Bois, Idaho, wish the National Body to know that we still wish our contribution from Idaho to be used as a Memorial Shrine Fund.

Covered by previous question.

Whereas there is no Memorial Service given in our ritual for Memorial Day—therefore BE IT RESOLVED by the Department of Idaho in Convention assembled that the National General Order before Memorial Day include a suggested Memorial Day Program.

Council decides this is not advisable but there is no objection to the Circle Chaplain planning her own Memorial service.

Council sustained.

VIII. **Presented by**

DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

That the Department of New York ask the National Body why the Inspection blanks have been eliminated.

Council decides these blanks have not been eliminated and are in the hands of the Revision Committee on Report Blanks.

That we respectfully request our National Body to take under consideration the changing of the Circle elections and installations from December and January to October and November.

Moved by Past National President, Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by Past National President, Clara Sawyer, that this question be referred to the Committee on Revision of Rules and Regulations for their consideration when the next revision takes place. Carried.

Council sustained.

IX. **Presented by**

DEPARTMENT OF OHIO

Since, according to new Rules and Regulations, there is no Department Inspector and as it has been the custom of the Department Inspector to take care of testimonial fund, who should perform that duty now?

Council decides this matter is not under National jurisdiction.
Council sustained.

Moved by Past National President, Cora Rowling, seconded by many that we have a registration fee of $1.00 for National Convention and that Departments follow the same course, but decide on their own Registration fee. Carried.

Council sustained.

Moved by Past National President, Emily J. Tompkins, seconded and carried to adjourn until the call of the National President.

The adjourned meeting of the Advisory Council was called Monday evening, September 21st at 10:00 o'clock.

X. **Presented by**

DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA

May we not continue to place the names of deceased Presidents on the credential blanks for a matter of record?

Motion made by Past National President, Josephine Mahar, seconded by Past National President, Emily Tompkins, that credential blanks remain the same. Motion lost.

Motion made by National Treasurer, Maybelle Nissen, that former decision be rescinded and the wording on credential blanks be referred to the Revision of Blanks Committee, so names of deceased Sisters may be placed on blanks. Carried.

Council sustained.

Motion made by Past National President, Cora Rowling, that our Organization withdraw from the National Patriotic Conference on National Defense, seconded and carried.

Council not sustained.

Motion made by Past National President, Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by several that hereafter we accept the lowest bid for printing the National Journal. Carried.

Council sustained.

Motion made by Past National President, Emily J. Tompkins, seconded by National Senior Vice-President, Effie Thrasher, that old rituals now in National Treasurer's possession be destroyed. Carried.

Questions regarding the use of the Flag were discussed and the fact stressed that the silent salute is given as the Flag is passed around the room and the military salute given at the time the Pledge of Allegiance. Also the American creed is recited immediately after the Pledge to Flag before the singing of "Guard the Flag."

Sincerely yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

FRANCES MARTIN KUHNS,
National President.

Attest:
MAE B. SLATTERY, National Secretary.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

SWISSVALE, PENNSYLVANIA

Series 1936-1937 **January 20, 1937**

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 2

Dear Sisters:

I. Your National President takes this opportunity to wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year and to thank the many members who sent greeting cards and gifts, assuring you of my deep appreciation.

II. The Holiday Season is over and new officers are being installed in Circles, my staff of officers join with me in hearty congratulations and best wishes for a most successful year, to all.

DEPARTMENT PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTORS

III. Attention is called to the Patriotic work of our order. If the Patriotic Instructors will communicate with the National Patriotic Instructor, Margaret Worrell, she will be glad to help in arranging programs for Patriotic Holidays, she has been advised to have no patriotic literature printed, but asks all Department Patriotic Instructors to observe McKinley's Birthday, January 29th; Lincoln's Birthday, February 12th; Washington's Birthday, February 22nd, and to visit the schools and see that the proper pledge to the Flag of our United States is given.

IV. We will have no hope chest this year to raise money for our national debt, but instead I am donating a very beautiful quilt and have sent to each department president, books for the same and will ask her to have her department secretary send the books out to the circles in her department and as soon as books are sold please send to me the check made payable to our national treasurer, Ethelyn Smith, with stubs as I may credit each department for books sold. I want to give credit to each department for their help, at my convention in Madison, Wis.

You have all helped these past three years with the hope chest and now I hope you will do all you can for the quilt. If each sister will help just a little we can wipe out the national debt.

V. Am happy to announce a new circle in the Department of New York. The Wm. D. C. Holmes Circle 99 was organized by Comrade Holmes' wife, Sarah Holmes, and instituted by Harriet W. Eaton, Past Department President of Ozone Park, October 8, 1936. with 15 charter members, three daughters and several granddaughters of Comrade Holmes, are on the charter. He is 92 years old. Congratulations, Circle No. 99, and best wishes for success.

VI. May I call your attention to the "Bugle Call," our official organ. This paper keeps us in touch with the workings of our order, and helps the Circles in planning for affairs, which are a benefit both socially and financially. Note the Membership and Bugle Call Prizes offered.

Why not make a New Year's Resolution—Every member get a member in 1937 and help build up our Beloved Order. "It can be done."

MEMBERSHIP AND BUGLE CALL PRIZES

VII. The National President authorizes the following list of prizes:

To the department doubling its membership, $10.00.

To the circle doubling its membership, $10.00.

To the department gaining most new circles, $5.00, percentage basis.

To the department gaining the most new members, $5.00, percentage basis.

To the department doubling Bugle Call subscriptions, $5.00.

Mr. Orville Osborn, husband of our Bugle Call editor, offers the following prize:

To the circle showing fewest dropped members, percentage basis, $5.00.

Our National President personally offers the following prizes:

To the department instituting the most Junior Circles, $5.00, percentage basis.

To the one sending in the greatest number of NEW subscriptions to the Bugle Call, a beautiful hand-made quilt.

Your editor offers the following prizes:

To the sister sending in the greatest number of subscriptions and renewals, $5.00.

To the sister selected as "agent" in her circle, a gold recognition pin when her circle is enrolled 100 per cent (fully paid up) in our big Bugle Call family.

The third prize will be a silk desk flag to the sister chosen as Bugle Call "agent" whose circle membership is enrolled 50 per cent on the mailing list (fully paid up), provided such enrollment represents 10 or more subscriptions above that shown in the September, 1936, mailing list.

Contest to run from close of national convention, 1936, to close of convention, 1937.

A complimentary copy for one year is given with every 10 NEW subscriptions. Same to be sent to your public library, a reading room or a "shut-in."

VIII. Twelfth Women's Patriotic Conference on National Defense will open with a Mass Meeting on Tuesday evening, January 26, 1937, at 8:30 P.M. Sessions also January 27 and 28, at Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C. Registration 25 cents.

Your National President will represent our National Organization as 3rd Vice President this year.

All members who expect to attend the Conference will notify your National President AT ONCE.

A pilgrimage to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington will be made on Tuesday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

IX. The National President of the Federated Patriotic Societies, Mary J. Love, 2206 Alta Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky, would like the names and addresses of the Department Presidents and names

of various units of the Federation, that she may get in personal touch, giving you an outline of the program, she as President, hopes to work out this year.

We as Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic extend congratulations to Mary J. Love on this high honor and pledge to her our help.

X. Department Presidents, your National Secretary, Mae B. Slattery, will greatly appreciate promptness in forwarding the quarterly reports with per-capita tax.

XI. Department Presidents will please notify your National President at the time and place of your Department Convention as soon as your plans are made, so I may arrange to visit as many Department Conventions as possible.

XII. Our deepest sympathy is extended to Ada Gorsuch, Past Department President of Pennsylvania, in the death of her husband.

And to the family of Mae N. Bush, Department President of Washington and Alaska, we extend loving sympathy.

And then to all whose homes have been visited by death, the National body extends deepest and sincere sympathy.

"No one hears the door that opens
When they pass beyond our call,
Soft as loosened leaves of roses,
One by one our loved ones fall.
But we shall see them in His likeness
When we, too, have passed beyond;
Hand in hand around God's altar.
When our work on earth is done."

XIII. Following are the Appointments:

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Assistant Press Correspondents will be announced in General Order No. 3.

XIV. In closing this, my Second General Order, I do so with a pledge of loyalty and it is the earnest desire of your National President that every sister in our organization, will pledge herself to do all in her power to have a peaceful and harmonious year and thus prove by our Fraternity, our Charity and Loyalty to each other that we are indeed worthy of our heritage.

A Happy New Year to all, so let us,

Scatter sunshine for the living,
Scatter kindness everywhere,
In the joy that comes from giving,
Hearts forget their load of care.

Lovingly submitted in F. C. L.,

FRANCES MARTIN KUHNS,
National President.

Attest:
MAY B. SLATTERY, National Secretary.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

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GENERAL ORDERS NO. 3

Dear Sisters:—

I. Your National President welcomes the new officers who have been elected to serve the coming year in the 700 Circles in our National Body, as it is these splendid circles who make up the membership in our 31 Departments, which at the present time number 34,233. May your term of office be a most successful one for our beloved order.

II. I am happy to announce a new Circle in the Department of Pennsylvania. Samuel B. Hanson Circle No. 220, Philadelphia, was instituted by Department President Annie E. Good, with 82 members on the charter. Sisters Maybelle S. Nissen, Mattie Sewell and Emma Sharkey all Past Department Presidents were the organizers. I congratulate these sisters on this wonderful Circle.

III. The Chairman of the National Memorial Shrine Commission, Clara N. Sawyer, is delighted over the progress so far in our work for the Shrine and she is grateful to the sisters who have helped by writing to their Senators and Congressmen. Any thing you can do to help Sister Sawyer will be greatly appreciated.

IV. Sister Edwina P. Triggs, Chairman of National Ways and Means Committee wishes to thank those who have sent contributions for her work and will also appreciate your help.

V. The Editor of the Bugle Call, Sister Cassie H. Orsborne writes most encouraging as to our Official paper and as your National President, I am asking the sisters of our order who are not subscribers if you will not please send in your subscription and help in this way our organization. You will find the Prizes offered published in the Bugle Call and also in General Order No. 2.

Lillian Clark Cary, National Junior Supervisor, Ladies Grand Army of the Republic, would be very glad to hear from Circles who are planning on organizing Junior Circles. She is ready to assist you and tell you of her plans, if you will write her at 432 Booth St., Dubuque, Iowa. We must interest the young folks in our work so as they may be ready to carry on in the future.

VI. The 51st National Convention will be held in Madison, Wis. Further information regarding the Convention will be issued in the next General Order.

VII. I wish to thank the Department Presidents for their splendid co-operation in getting out the books on the National Quilt

to the Circles in their Departments, and to the Circles who have all ready sent in their books. I hope every Department President will see that every book is disposed of and turned in at her Department Convention, if not before. Let us all do our part to help that this may be the last year your National President will have to ask the Departments to help raise funds for the National Body. Please make checks payable to the National Treasurer. Ethelyn P. Smith and send to me with the stubs, that I may give your Department credit at our National Convention. I am in hopes every Department will be 100 per cent.

As I said before we will not have a "Hope Chest" this year, so please do all you can to help make the National Quilt a success.

If there are any who have not received books and would like to help, I will be very glad to hear from you.

VIII. I have had the pleasure of visiting some of the Departments and many Circles since last General Order and find a most willing people to advance the interest of our Order and ever ready to co-operate with their National President. They were most gracious and kind and so warm a welcome extended in their homes and for the Beautiful Gifts and Flowers your National President is very grateful. Am much encouraged in the work that is being done.

IX. The yellow ribbon may be worn on the Regulation Badge by the sisters I have appointed as Assistant National Officers this year. You may secure same by writing to the Treasurer of your Department. Am most happy to have you as a member of my Official Family.

X. Attention is called to the few departments who have not sent in quarterly reports and tax. These reports please send to the National Secretary, Mae B. Slattery, 1120 Allegheny Ave., N. S., Pittsburgh, with check made payable to our National Treasurer, Ethelyn P. Smith, 1226 N. 34th Street, Omaha, Neb.

XI. On April 9 we celebrate Appomatox Day, honoring the surrender of Lee to Grant at Appomatox Court House, April 9, 1865.

XII. April 27, the birthday of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, Statesman and Soldier.

XIII. May 14th, the second Sunday in May has been set aside as Mother's Day. Every member of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic wear a white flower in honor of a living Mother and in loving memory of her if God has called her Home.

Hundreds of dew-drops to greet the dawn,
Hundreds of bees in the purple clover,
Hundreds of butterflies on the lawn,
But **only one Mother** the wide world over.

XIV. May 30th, Memorial Day, upon which we commemorate the loving service of our heroic dead, for us the observance is a sacred duty, so may we show our love and devotion by our offerings of beautiful flowers.

XV. June 14th, will commemorate the Anniversary of the Adoption by Congress of the National Emblem on June 14, 1797. Let us use the Slogan, "An American Flag in Every American Home."

The Flag Speaks

Born during the nation's infancy, I have grown with it, my stars increasing in number as the Country has grown in size; the dominion over which I wave expanding until the sun of my flying folds now never sets.

Filled with significance are my colors of red, white and blue into which have woven the strength and courage of American manhood, the love and loyalty of American Womanhood.

I am the badge of the Nation's greatness and the emblem of its Destiny.

Threaten me and millions will spring to my Protection.

"I am the American Flag."

XVI. Father's Day, how could we as Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic celebrate this day in a more fitting way than to show our love by sending an offering to the National Shrine for our fathers. If living, in his Honor, and if dead to his Memory.

XVII. We will have a registration fee of $1.00 for National Convention at Madison, Wis. Every delegate who attends the Convention will pay $1.00 to the registration committee at the time she registers. This was made a ruling at the last Convention in Washington, D. C. The Departments will follow the same course, but make their own fee.

IN MEMORIAM

XVIII.

It is with deepest sympathy we announce the passing on of:—

Past Department Presidents of the Department of Illinois

Sarah M. Boyd and Harriet Hudson.

Department of New York, Past Department President

Allie Daggett Gschwind.

Our sympathy is also extended to Past Department President of Pennsylvania, Sara C. Johnson in the loss of her sister Matilda Crothers, and Mary Kerns, Past Department Treasurer of Pennsylvania in the parting with her dear Mother. And to all sisters mourning the loss of loved ones, and also to the families of Comrades who have been called home, we extend our sympathy.

XIX. As time draws near for the Department Conventions I want to extend my very best wishes to the Department Presidents who have been the leaders this past year and trust you may all have a most harmonious and successful Convention and that you will continue on your good work in the years to come for our beloved organization. I also extend my best wishes to the incoming officers who shall take up the work where you lay it down, and hope your administration shall be a most successful one.

XX. I leave soon for the New England Conventions and then to California and want to attend as many as I possibly can, but where I cannot I shall send a representative.

XXI. In closing this, my third General Order, I do so with a word of thanks to all my sisters who have been so very kind to me

and during my illness sent beautiful cards and flowers, and for the encouragement you have given, I thank you.

For a broader view a saner mind,
A little more love for all mankind.
A little more care for what we say,
A little more charity every day,
Not as we take, but as we give,
Not as we pray—but as we live.

Lovingly yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

FRANCES MARTIN KUHNS,
National President.

Attest:
MAE B. SLATTERY, National Secretary.

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GENERAL LOGAN'S MEMORIAL ORDER

General Order No. 11 } Headquarters Grand Army of the Republic Washington, D. C., May 5, 1868

I. The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foes? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains, and their deaths a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and fond mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten, as a people, the cost of a free and undivided Republic.

If other eyes grow dull and hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionate mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

II. It is the purpose of the Commander-in-Chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this order, and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.

III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By command of,

JOHN A. LOGAN,
Commander-in-Chief.

N. P. CHIPMAN, Adjutant General.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic

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GENERAL ORDERS NO. 4

I. The Fifty-first Annual National Encampment will be held in Madison, Wisconsin, the week of September 5th, 1937.

II. Headquarters will be established at Park Hotel, Room 324, Sunday, September 5th, where your National President will be glad to welcome all members.

III. For reservations, write at once to J. W. Jackson, Chairman Housing Committee, Madison and Wisconsin Foundation, Madison, Wis. Be sure to state you are a member of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic.

IV. Having visited Madison several times during the year, I can say it is a beautiful city, and the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, the Mayor of the City, J. W. Jackson, Executive Director and his splendid Committee, with the citizens of Madison are leaving nothing undone that this Encampment may be an outstanding one.

V. Alma C. J. Speckner, Department President, 1331 Spaight Street, Madison, Wis., Marie Melzner, Secretary to Grand Army of the Republic, Memorial Hall, Capitol Bldg., Madison, Wis., have been appointed on Committee of arrangements, and will be glad to give you any information. They are putting forth every effort to make the Convention a success.

VI. I hope all members who possibly can, will attend.

VII. All Business Sessions will be held in Central High School Auditorium, Wisconsin Ave., handy to Hotel Headquarters.

VIII. After the Registration Fee of $1.00 has been paid by all Delegates, Credentials will be accepted and badges issued to all Department Presidents and Presidents of Circles under National Jurisdictions, Monday, September 6th, West Room, off Lobby, at Park Hotel.

Credential Committee

IX. May B. Slattery, National Secretary, Maybelle S. Nissen, Pennsylvania, Eunice Rash, Kansas, Alberta Carothers, Ohio, Lillie C. Wall, Michigan, and Mabel Y. Coffey, Colorado.

Registration Committee

Ethelyn P. Smith, National Treasurer

XI. Council of Administration will meet to audit books of National Secretary and Treasurer, also Editor of Bugle Call, Monday, September 6th, at 11:00 A.M. in the Park Hotel, Room 338.

XII. Advisory Council will meet Monday, September 6th, at 3:00 P.M. in Headquarters, Room 324.

XIII. All questions to come before the Advisory Council must be in the hands of the National Secretary, May B. Slattery, 1120 Allegheny Ave., Pittsburgh, Penna., not later than August 20th, 1937, and must come through the proper channel, to receive attention by the Council.

XIV. As our Convention comes somewhat earlier this year than usual, we must be prompt with per cap tax. All tax and reports, up to and including June 30th, 1937, must be in the hands of National Secretary, as soon as possible, as Delegates cannot be seated in Convention unless same is paid.

XV. Books of National Secretary and National Treasurer, will close August 14th. Please order all supplies before that date.

XVI. Department election returns and credentials of members should be sent to National Secretary at once.

XVII. Department Chaplains, Patriotic Instructors, Registrars and Inspectors, must forward their reports to respective National Officers. Department Presidents are urged to see that this is done.

XVIII. As National President, I am asking all National Officers to join with me in having reports typewritten and as brief as possible.

XIX. The Annual Meeting of the National Federation of Patriotic Societies, allied with the Grand Army of the Republic, will be held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Hotel Loraine, Sunday, September 5th, at 2:30 P.M. A full attendance is desired as important business matters will be taken up. The Annual Banquet will be held at 5:30 P.M. in the Pompeian Room. Reservations can be made through the National President, Mrs. Mary J. Love, 2206 Alta Ave., Louisville, Ky.

XX. The Betsy Ross Club meeting will meet Monday evening, at the call of the National President of the Club, Margaret Worrell.

XXI. A Complimentary Breakfast tendered National President and Staff by Madison Circle Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, Monday morning, at Park Hotel at 7:30 o'clock.

XXII. Betsy Ross Club Breakfast, Tuesday morning at 7:30, Park Hotel.

XXIII. Mother and Father Banquet, Wednesday evening, 7:00 o'clock, Park Hotel. Chairman, Annie M. Michener, Past National President.

XXIV. Complimentary Luncheon to all Delegates, Wednesday, 12:30 P.M., Park Hotel.

XXV. Pioneers Luncheon, Thursday, 12:30 P.M., Park Hotel. Carrie V. Sherriff, Past National President, Chairman.

XXVI. Past National Presidents Banquet, Thursday evening, 7:00 o'clock.

XXVII. Department Presidents and Presidents of Circles under National, please have your annual reports typewritten, ready to hand

to National Secretary at Convention, or if absent, send to the National Secretary, May B. Slattery, 1120 Allegheny Ave., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

XXVIII. Have arranged to have a Get-Together and Stunt Night, Wednesday, September 8th, at 9:30 o'clock, at Park Hotel, for all Delegates. Will ask each Department to bring along their State Song and to arrange for a Stunt. The Committee in charge will be Frances M. Haskell, Washington, Chairman, Frances Dorsey, Michigan, and Mary F. Barclay, Pennsylvania.

XXIX. The Contest for Membership and Bugle Call Prizes will close September 1st, and all taking part will see that Reports are in the hands of Prize Committee, as all prizes will be awarded at Convention in Madison.

XXX. We are happy to announce a new Circle: E. A. Paddock, No. 22, at Caldwell, Idaho. Organized and Instituted by Department Secretary, Clara E. Burdell, assisted by Ollie M. Smith, Department President, June 12th, 1937. We congratulate you, and wish for you every success.

XXXI. To the Past National Presidents, National Officers and Departments who have sent in their money for the National Quilt Books, I want to thank you, and hope all Departments will dispose of all books and be 100 per cent.

Only one Department have returned their books, and they have been recalled by the New Administration. I will ask that the newly elected Department President take this matter up and see that all books or money be sent to National Treasurer, Ethelyn P. Smith. As each Department President is responsible for books sent her Department.

XXXII. To all Past National Presidents and members of my official family, I wish to extend my thanks for your help and encouragement during the year.

To the Department Presidents for their splendid co-operation, and to the sisters of the Departments for all kindness to me while attending your Conventions.

XXXIII. To C. H. William Ruhe, Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, I extend thanks to you for your kindness and courtesies to me. And my Organization join with me in wishing for you a happy and successful Convention.

I take this opportunity to thank your Secretary, Miss Katherine Flood, for her kindness during the year, assuring her of my deep appreciation.

XXXIV. To the National President of the Women's Relief Corps, Ida Heacock Baker, Kansas.

National President of the Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Adele B. Cowan Murphy, New Mexico, New York.

XXXV. To the National President, Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Ida L. Lewis, Wisconsin.

XXXVI. To the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Wm. Allen Dyer, I wish to extend my sincere thanks and to say it has been a happy year to serve with you as an Official family. I have enjoyed so much our associations

throughout the year, and I wish for each a happy and successful Convention.

IN MEMORIAM

XXXVII. We are deeply grieved to learn of the death of Past National Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, Samuel P. Town, who passed away at his home in Philadelphia, Pa., July 9th. He was held in highest esteem by all members of our Organization. To his beloved Companion and Helpmate, his daughter and nieces, our heartfelt sympathy is extended and we ask God's richest blessings may rest upon them.

Sympathy is also extended to the Grand Army of the Republic in the loss of their Past Commander-in-Chief.

XXXVIII. One of our most beloved and esteemed members of the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic has answered the last roll call. In the passing of Laura E. Critchfield, Past National Chaplain, we have lost an earnest worker and a faithful Sister. Her tireless efforts for our Order, and her devotions to its principles, will ever stand as a monument to her memory.

To her family we extend our deepest sympathy.

XXXIX. To all members of our beloved Order who have been called upon to part with loved ones, the loving sympathy of your National President and Staff are extended.

XXXX. As this is my last Official message to you, I look back over the year just about to close and wonder where it has gone. As it seems so short a time since you conferred upon me the honor of National President, in the beautiful Capitol City of Washington, D. C., at our 50th Anniversary, I assure you I am most grateful for the confidence placed in me. I have done my best and have tried in every way to be an honor to the office you so graciously entrusted to me. The memories of this year's labor of love shall linger with me always, and the kindness of all my Sisters shall never be forgotten, and as I pass on to my successor this great trust, I hope she may have the same co-operation I have had this year.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

FRANCES MARTIN KUHNS,
National President.

MAY B. SLATTERY, National Secretary.

INVENTORY OF STOCK

	On Hand	Bought	Sold	Left	Value
Badges, Membership	.....	1500	814	686	$ 489.12
Badges, Junior's	217	.....	62	155	46.50
Badges, Officers	205	.....	67	139	41.70
Bars, Bronze	518	.....	97	471	94.20
Blanks, Applications	.....	10000	2629	7371	147.42
Blanks, Treas. Bonds	102	.....	52	50	2.50
Books, Dept. Order	3	.....	.....	3	1.20
Books, Circle Proposition	32	.....	13	19	14.25
Books, Dept. Registrar	13	.....	2	11	9.90
Books, Warrants	147	500	146	501	200.40
Books, Receipts	302	.....	276	26	10.40
Cards, Honorable Discharge	124	1000	232	892	17.84
Cards, Key	101	200	21	333	6.66
Cards, Comrade Greetings	367	.....	5	362	10.86
Cards, Sons of Vet. Greetings	630	.....	.....	630	18.90
Cards, Transfer	631	.....	367	264	5.28
Cards, Visiting	54	500	152	406	8.12
Cards, Ode. with Music	83	.....	26	57	11.40
Cards, Officers and Odes.	2160	1000	198	2962	296.20
Charters	194	.....	4	190	190.00
Charters, Junior	89	.....	6	83	83.00
Electrotypes	6	50	8	48	48.00
Flags, Memorial	15	100	67	48	21.60
History of Order	216	.....	6	210	26.30
Pendants, Bronze	405	950	528	827	92.50
Pendants, Silver	397	37	110	324	48.60
Pendants, Gold	315	.....	28	297	74.15
Ribbons, Officers	28yds.6"	.....	23	5-6"	5.17
Ribbons, Flag	483yds.	.....	5	478	406.30
Rituals, Junior	541	.....	13	528	105.60
Rituals	239	1000	653	586	263.70
Rituals, Nat'l Instal.	17	.....	.....	17	.....
Rules and Regulations	6045	.....	1969	4076	489.12
Stars, Bronze	28	.....	4	24	4.80
Gold Pins, Ass't	39	276	218	97	194.65
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